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## Capital Investments in British Shipping.

Many attempts have been made to estimate the amount of British capital invested in shipping. The most recent, and probably a reliable one, is published by the *Economist*. Lloyd's Register of Shipping, issued in July last, shows a total of 14,685 ships, having a tonnage of 10,407,766 tons. Valuing the steamers at about \$20 per ton and the sailing ships at \$60, the aggregate value of this shipping is \$800,000,000. But the additional entries of a further year will bring the total up to \$850,000,000. There are, however, other centers of registration besides Lloyd's, such as the "Liverpool Register," the "French

## The Werder Testing Machine.

In a recent issue of *Engineering*, London, we find a full description of a 100-ton Werder testing machine, and think that its reproduction in our columns will meet with the favor of a large number of our readers. The machine is one of a type which is well known on the European Continent, and its design embodies numerous interesting and novel features. The type is one originally designed in 1852 by Herr Ludwig Werder, director of the engineering works of Klett & Co., of Nürnberg, now the Maschinenbau-Actien-Gesellschaft, Nürnberg. It was exhibited at the Munich Exhibition in 1854, where experiments conducted upon it attracted great attention, and where it ob-

lic pressure, but measured by dead-weight, as in Mr. Kirkaldy's machine. But in the Werder machine the ram, lever and weights are all at the same end of the machine, while by an ingenious arrangement one lever only is required, instead of two, or perhaps three, for a leverage of 500 to 1. Figs. 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8 and 9 show the principal parts of the machine. Fig. 1 is a general side elevation of the machine and Fig. 2 a plan. Fig. 7 is a cross-section to the right and Fig. 8 to the left of the pump ram. Fig. 3 is a sectional elevation showing the principal knife edges. Fig. 6 is a sectional view showing the side knife edges.

The hydraulic cylinder A of the machine is cast in one piece with the frame B. The ram C (Fig. 3), which is 11.8 inches in diam-

traverse, O, which, therefore, moves always outward or inward with the ram. The front end or vertex of the frame K carries the little train of gearing M (consisting of a hand-wheel with worm and worm-wheel and a pinion on the same spindle as the latter gearing with a fixed rack), by means of which the ram can be worked in and out by hand when no load is on it. By a simple arrangement, the rack is thrown out of gear when the machine is at work, to avoid the chance of breaking the teeth when the test-piece gives way.

So far we have described merely the connection between the hydraulic ram and the frame of the machine; we have now to look at the connection between the ram and the steelyard or load-measuring apparatus,

balance being adjusted by the sliding weight S (Figs. 2 and 6). It is roughly  $\pi$  shaped, the two limbs extending on the sides of the ram cylinder, and has two openings through it for the crossheads U<sub>1</sub> and U<sub>2</sub>. In its middle breadth it is fitted with a knife edge b (Figs. 1, 2 and 3), which bears against a steel face, a, forming part of the ram crosshead. The knife-edge b is 14.2 inches wide, and the two knife-edges c<sub>1</sub> and c<sub>2</sub> together 15 inches wide, so that the pressure upon them is about nine tons per linear inch at the full load (100 tons) of the machine. The block Q has thus five knife edges attached to it. Of these five, four are in one line—viz., the two which carry the weight of Q and rest in the links F<sub>1</sub> P<sub>1</sub>, and the two c<sub>1</sub> and c<sub>2</sub> which transmit the pressure to the crosshead

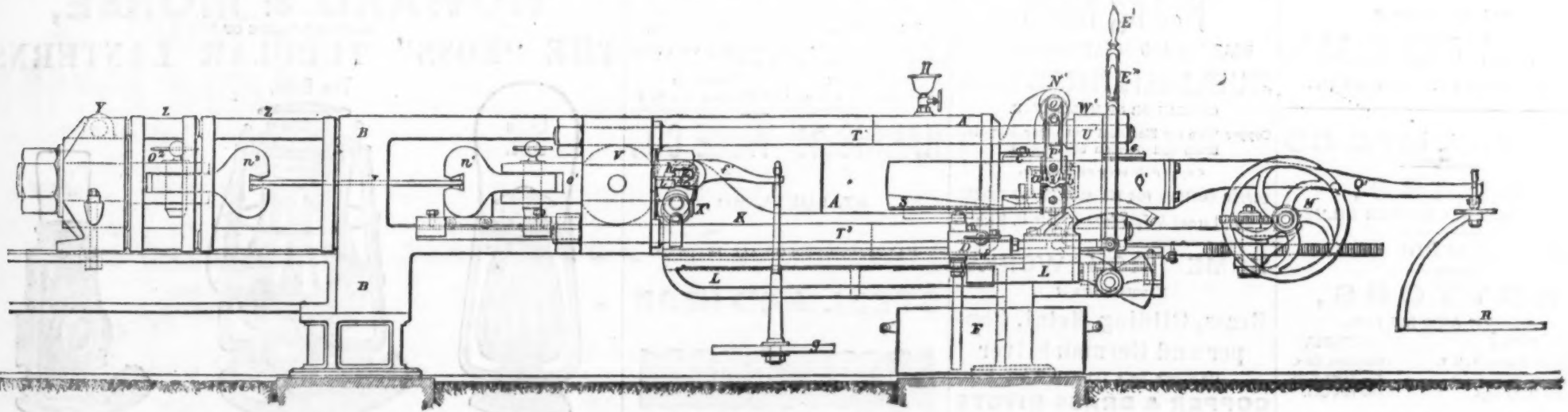


Fig. 1.—Side Elevation of the Machine.

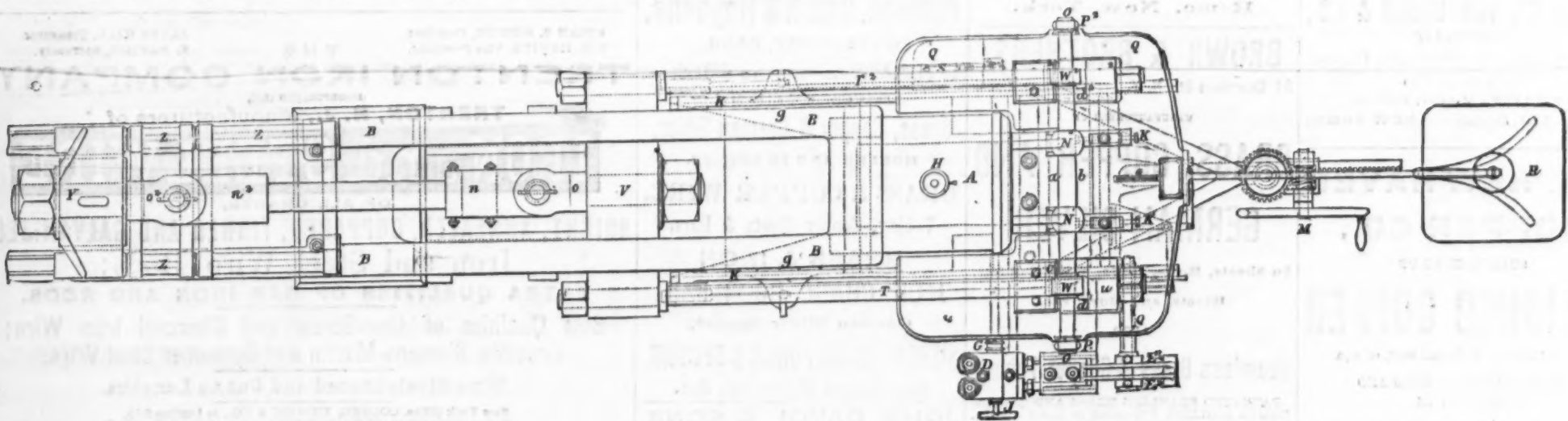


Fig. 2.—General Top View.

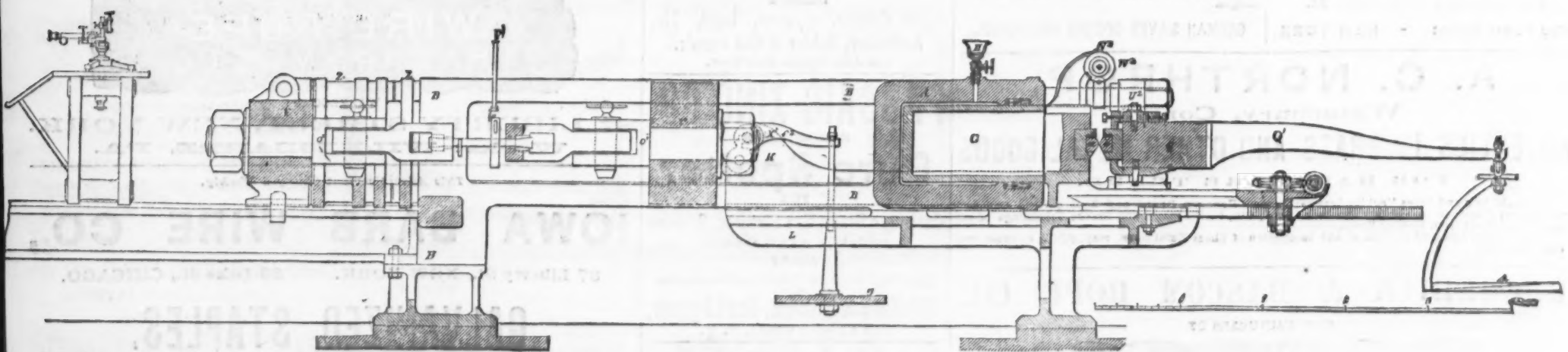


Fig. 3.—Sectional Elevation, Showing Principal Knife Edges.

ONE-HUNDRED-TON WERDER TESTING MACHINE, BUILT BY THE MASCHINENBAU-ACTIEN-GESELLSCHAFT, NÜRNBERG, GERMANY

Veritas" and the "American Record"—each of which has the names of English-owned vessels in it. The *Economist* thinks that the total value of purely British ships is not less than \$1,000,000,000—and, still further, if the Canadian, Australian, New Zealand, India and China steamers belonging to the English be added, the amount must reach at least \$1,250,000,000. There are also now vessels building on behalf of British owners to the value of \$100,000,000. If we assume that the average return to the shareholders on this large investment of capital is 6 per cent, it appears that the revenue coming to these islands from the shipping industry is not less than \$75,000,000 per annum. This amount is much more widely distributed than most people would be disposed to imagine, large numbers of persons being interested in shipping, though not actively, through the systems of private partnership and limited liability,

tained a gold medal. Since that time a considerable number of similar machines have been constructed; there is one at Croust, one at Stockholm, and one in Spandau, while the Polytechnic Schools at Zurich (Professor Culmann), Munich (Professor Baeohinger), Vienna (Professor Jenny), Pesth (Professor Horvath), the Gewerbe-Academie in Berlin, and the Engineering Institute in St. Petersburg, each have one for use in an engineering or mechanical laboratory.

The particular machine which is here illustrated was one exhibited by the Maschinenbau-Actien-Gesellschaft, Nürnberg, the makers, at the recent exhibition in that city, where it was under the charge of Professor Baeohinger, of Munich, who conducted a series of most interesting experiments upon it with the aid of the various strain measuring instruments which he has designed.

The Werder testing machine is one of those in which the load is applied by hydra-

eter, is covered with brass. The pressure is obtained by two pumps placed beside the machine in the casing D. The smaller, 0.4 inch in diameter, is used for the full power of the machine, the larger, 1.18 inches in diameter, being available only up to 20 tons. These pumps can be worked either by gearing or by the hand-levers E<sub>1</sub> and E<sub>2</sub>. They are placed above a small reservoir, F, and deliver into the ram cylinder by the bent pipe G. J is a release-valve for the pump and H an air-valve on the top of the cylinder A, which is left open when pumping begins, in order that the cylinder may be free from air. On the front end of the ram G is fixed a somewhat complex cross-head (Figs. 3 and 7), carrying two brackets, N<sub>1</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>, and a frame, K K, this latter extending forward in a V shape (Fig. 2) and backward on each side of the cylinder, where it is carried on A-shaped guides, L L (Figs. 3 and 8). The brackets N<sub>1</sub> N<sub>2</sub> carry a cross spindle or

which in the Werder machine forms the connecting link between the ram and the test-piece, instead of being, as in the Kirkaldy and most other types of machine, attached to the opposite end of the test-piece. The piece to be broken is pulled from the main crosshead V, which, by means of the four pull-rods T<sub>1</sub> to T<sub>4</sub>, forms one piece with a pair of crossheads U<sub>1</sub> U<sub>2</sub> (Figs. 1, 2, 3 and 6). The whole of this system of rods and crossheads hangs freely from the ram crossheads, its weight being taken at the one end by the rings W<sub>1</sub> W<sub>2</sub> on the traverse O, and at the other end by the rings X<sub>1</sub> X<sub>2</sub> hanging from pins upon the frame K. On the faces of the crossheads U<sub>1</sub> U<sub>2</sub> are steel blocks d<sub>1</sub> d<sub>2</sub> (Figs. 2 and 6) through which the pull of the piece is transmitted to corresponding knife edges e<sub>1</sub> and e<sub>2</sub> forming part of a large block Q Q, to which the lever Q<sub>1</sub> (Fig. 3) is rigidly attached. This block hangs freely from the traverse by the knife-edge links F<sub>1</sub> P<sub>1</sub>, its

U<sub>1</sub> U<sub>2</sub>. The fifth knife edge b is 3 mm. (0.12 inch) lower than the line of the others. The radius of the scale-pan R being 1.50 meters from the plane of the knife edges, it will be seen that the block Q is really a bell-crank lever, whose arms have lengths in the ratio of 500 to 1; the fulcrum abuts on the head of the ram, the long arm carries the scale-pan, and the short arm pulls against the test-piece through the rods T. Fig. 10 illustrates the principle of this arrangement. The distance F G in this sketch, the short arm of the lever, being only 3 mm., is in reality too small to be shown in our drawings.

When load is applied to the test-piece the ram moves out, of course, as much as the piece stretches, or as the fastenings "give." But the ram, as we have seen, carries with it the whole of the weighing arrangement, and as long as the block Q can be kept horizontal—which is easily done with the help of



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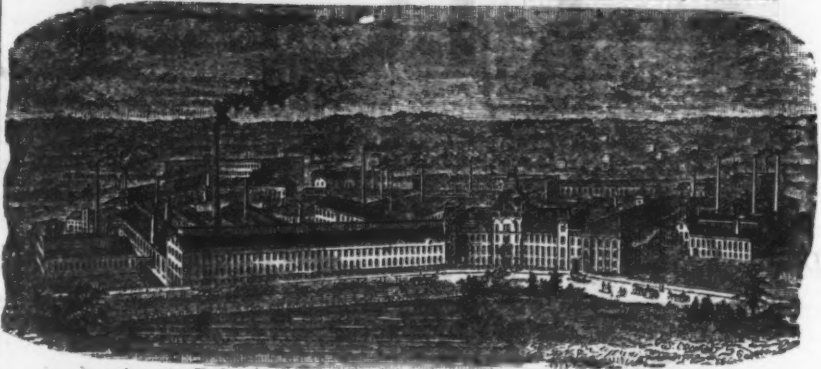
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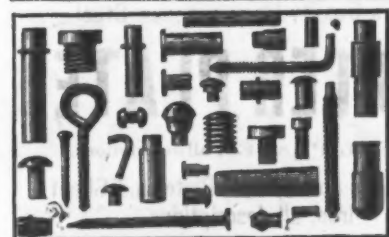
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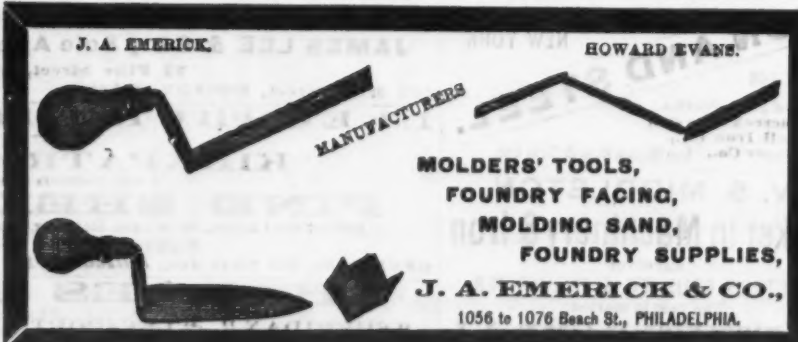
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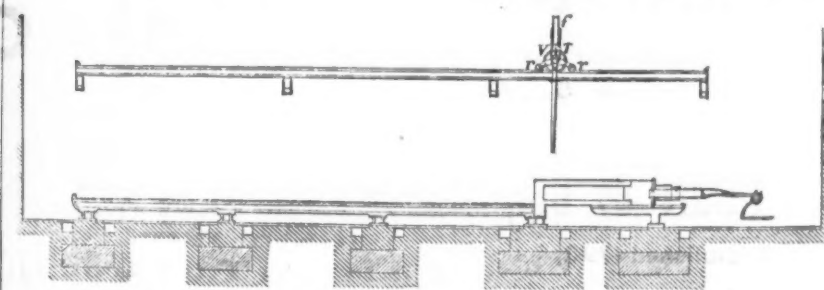
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#### Vital Statistics in Large Cities.

Efforts have been made by the Board of Health for several years to collect information about the mortality, increase in population and sanitary conditions of foreign and American cities, in order that the health regu-



One-Hundred-Ton Werder Testing Machine.—Fig. 4.—General Arrangement of Machine in Laboratory.

duces, to some extent, the inconvenience of this arrangement. It is obvious that there is no possibility of directly checking, with sufficient accuracy, the length of the short arm lever (3 mm.), upon which the whole accuracy of the machine depends. For the purpose of checking

ulations of the city may be improved. Hundreds of reports are sent from the Bureau of Vital Statistics every year to the health authorities of cities throughout this country and Europe, with the request that like information shall be returned. Responses come from European cities promptly, as a rule, while in this country the reports from the sanitary officials often are delayed several months and are imperfect then. The sanitary regula-

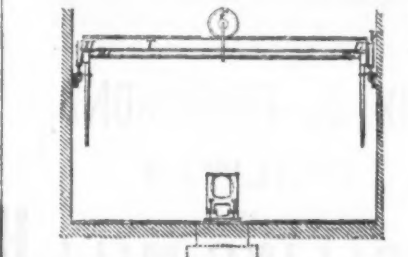


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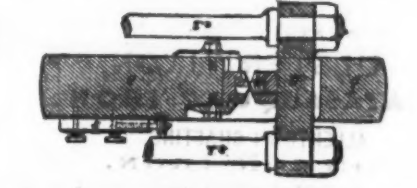


Fig. 6.—Sectional View, Showing the Side Knife Edges.

the leverage, therefore, a "controlling" arrangement is fitted up, which is shown in the drawings in detail. This gear consists of a pair of knee levers  $f, f_1$  (one on each side of the machine) having fulcrum at  $k$  on the frame  $K$ . From the long arms (530 mm.) hangs a scale-pan,  $g$ , the short arms (35 mm.) abut at  $i$  against the crosshead  $V$ . The knife edges on this lever, its arm being only

tions in America are not so strict as are those of most foreign cities. In several States of the Union the registry of births and deaths is not compulsory, and the health officials do not have opportunities for collecting information. Reports of vital statistics for the year 1882 were received from all the large cities in Europe by Dr. John T. Nagle, the Deputy Registrar in the Health Depart-

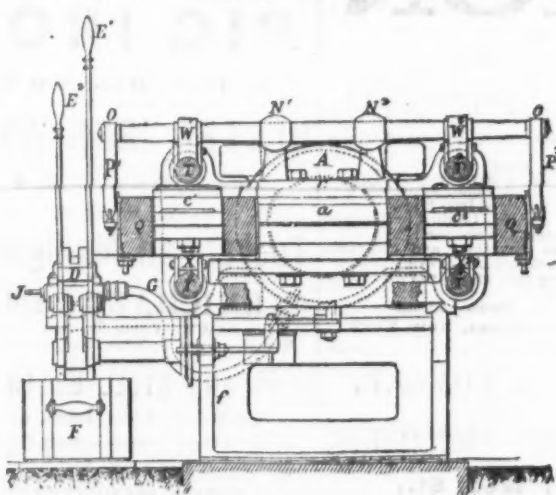


Fig. 7.—Cross Section to the Right of Pump Ram.

to 1, can be measured sufficiently accurate by ordinary means, and then, to test the accuracy of the 500:1 ratio, it is only necessary to balance any weight in  $g$  by one-fiftieth as great a weight at  $R$ . In the practical working of the machine this is done periodically, and means are provided for altering the position of the main knife

ment, three months ago, while Chicago, Philadelphia and many other cities of the United States have not yet been heard from. Persons who think that the cities and large towns in America are healthier than those on the other side of the Atlantic would be undeceived by reading the reports for last year now in the possession of the Board of Health. New Yorkers, in particular, might be shocked to learn that the death-rate was greater in the American metropolis last year than that

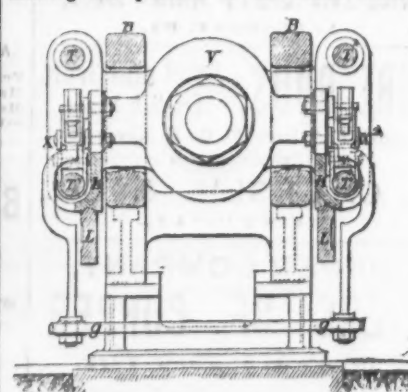


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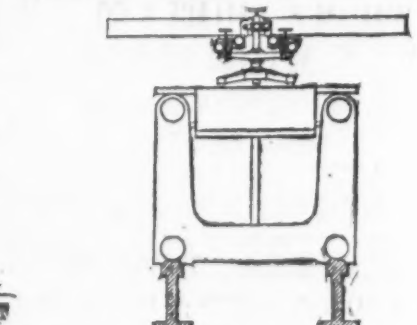


Fig. 9.—End View of Fig. 3.

edges by screws, should they be found in any way out of truth.

Figs. 1, 2 and 3 show the machine arranged for tension; the arrangements do not call for any special remark.  $Z, Z$  are packing pieces with planed bearing faces, which are put in to make up the length necessary for

of any of the great capitals in Europe. For the purpose of comparison, the following statistics of population, births and deaths in six foreign and six American cities were taken from the reports:

	Population at last census.	Births, 1882.	Deaths, 1882.	Death-rate per 1000 inhabitants, 1882.
Foreign cities.				
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Paris.....	2,939,928	62,587	58,702	20.27
Berlin.....	1,174,223	44,466	39,465	20.54
Vienna.....	726,103	29,472	21,521	29.16
Glasgow.....	537,800	19,792	19,085	26.44
Dublin.....	345,623	20,073	9,659	27.65
American cities.				
New York.....	1,206,577	27,321	37,044	29.64
Brooklyn.....	506,689	10,656	15,012	24.86
Baltimore.....	408,520	7,759	8,923	21.84
Boston.....	362,632	10,936	9,015	21.40
Cincinnati.....	285,708	7,101	6,873	24.55
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cases of birth which they attend, although the sanitary regulations require such reports to be made. The death-reports in each city are complete, because bodies cannot be removed for burial without permits from the health authorities. The constant tide of emigration to this part from foreign cities also tends to make the deaths outnumber the births in any year in New York and neighboring cities. The effectiveness of sanitary regulations is shown better by the proportion which the general mortality bears to the infant mortality in a place. It is to the credit of Paris that of 58,702 persons who died in 1882 only 17,411—less than one-third—were under five years of age, while 17,266 children of that age died in Berlin and 36,259 in London in the same year. The deaths of children under five years in the American cities named, in 1882, was as follows: New York, 17,520; Brooklyn, 7136; Baltimore, 3755; Boston, 3172; Cincinnati, 2904; San Francisco, 1670. One of the healthiest cities in Europe is Geneva, in Switzerland, which had a population of 50,559 at the last census. There were 1061 births there last year and 818 deaths, the death rate per 1000 inhabitants being only 16.18. It may be surprising to some persons that Troy, N. Y., had a better record than Geneva. The population of Troy is about 55,000. Within the limits of the city last year, 1025 children were born, 745 persons died and the death rate was only 12.62. The lowest death-rate yet noted for last year was 4.07, at Council Bluffs, Iowa, where, with 18,509 inhabitants, the births numbered 252 and the deaths only 92.

The death-rate of a city usually bears a close relation to the prevalence of pulmonary complaints and contagious diseases. Below is a comparison of deaths from consumption and from the most prevalent forms of contagious disease in the 12 cities in 1882:

Cities.	Phthisis pulmonary.	Scarlet fever.	Diphtheria.	Measles.	Small pox.
London.....	8,405	2,004	863	8,320	417
Paris.....	11,011	138	2,390	1,018	661
Berlin.....	3,701	604	1,914	144	5
Vienna.....	3,804	410	319	308	868
Glasgow.....	2,198	263	172	203	.....
Dublin.....	1,183	37	31	567	.....
New York.....	5,251	2,066	1,523	913	250
Brooklyn.....	1,866	898	631	168	12
Baltimore.....	1,817	179	707	71	531
Boston.....	1,560	60	484	14	0
Cincinnati.....	783	33	118	68	1,249
San Francisco.....	803	38	128	60	30

Dr. E. H. Jones, the Assistant Sanitary Superintendent, when asked why the death-rate of New York was so large, in comparison with that of any other large city, gave the following explanation: "A great many persons who are not residents of the city die here every year. New York is a great commercial center, and there is a constant floating population not accounted for in the census returns. Persons who come here intending to stay only a few days for business purposes sometimes die in private houses or at the hotels. Every year there is an army of tramps in the city, and many of the vagrants die from exposure or the effects of dissipation. Most of the emigrants who come to this country stay in New York for longer or shorter periods, and deaths among them are frequent. From many parts of this State, and from other States, persons come to New York to be treated for chronic or incurable diseases or to have operations performed. All the deaths at hospitals and institutions on Blackwell's, Ward's, Randall's and Hart's Islands are credited to the city. Large numbers of business men in the city live in Brooklyn, Jersey City and other places near the city; yet some of them die here suddenly, or are seized with fatal illness which prevents them from going to their homes. New York is not an unhealthy city, and I feel sure that the actual death-rate is much lower than the one which is based on the last census. The population of the city is much greater than the census returns indicate. The census of the city ought to be taken in the winter time, and the returns of the Italian quarters and lodging houses ought to be collected at night."

## The British Empire. A Canadian exchange of a late date has the following:

Recent dispatches state that the Australians are taking steps to urge upon the home authorities the wisdom, if not the actual necessity, of annexing the New Hebrides, the Solomon and other groups of islands in the Southern Pacific Ocean. Should this idea be carried out, the acquisition will add considerably to the territory and population of the British Empire, and open up for the purposes of trade and civilization portions of the world that are said to be richly endowed by nature, and which have too long been neglected. The New Hebrides cover about 3500 square miles, and have a population of about 200,000 souls, according to the estimate of persons who have visited the islands. The inhabitants are said to be fierce, dirty, and of a low type intellectually. The Solomon Islands contain about 10,000 square miles, with an estimated population of 500,000, chiefly Malays and Papuans. As to the other groups referred to, we are not able to give any particulars, as they are not named. With the recent and proposed additions, we find that the British Empire is made up as follows, according to the latest statistics:

Country.	Square Miles.	Population.
Great Britain and Ireland.....	121,115	36,100,000
Indian Possessions.....	1,558,254	254,000,000
Other Eastern Possessions.....	30,000	2,500,000
Australasia.....	3,173,310	3,000,000
North America.....	3,620,500	4,000,000
Guiana, &c.....	100,000	200,000
Africa.....	870,000	1,200,000
West Indies.....	20,707	1,200,000
European Possessions.....	120	175,000
Various settlements.....	9,171	20,000
New Guinea.....	300,000	2,000,000
Bechuanaland.....	100,000	2,000,000
New Hebrides.....	3,500	200,000
Solomon Islands.....	10,000	200,000
Totals.....	9,376,677	310,175,000

This table, as a recent writer has said in referring to the vast extent of the British possessions, "presents a result unparalleled in the world's history. The British Empire is grander than those of Rome and Greece, or any others that have ever existed." The figures are simply marvelous when one studies them. The three Kingdoms that form the



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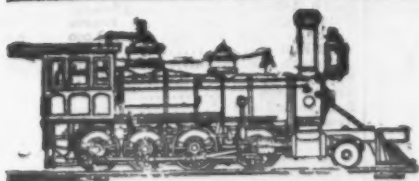
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## The evaporative Power of Bituminous Coals.

BY WILLIAM KENT, M. E.

The report made to the Navy Department in 1844, by Prof. Walker R. Johnson, of "Experiments on the Evaporative Power and other Properties of American Coals," has long been accepted as a standard work of reference, not so much on account of the real value of the information it contains, as on account of the fact that during the nearly 40 years that have elapsed since its publication no work on the subject of which it treats has appeared to supplant it. In many respects it is an admirable report, giving a faithful record of carefully conducted experiments, and including the proximate chemical analysis as well as the apparent evaporative power of the coals tested. It has, however, two very serious defects; it does not treat at all of any American coals mined west of Pittsburgh, and it does not give the real evaporative powers of such of the bituminous coals as were tested, but only their apparent evaporative powers as shown under conditions unfavorable to the development of the best results.

A pamphlet has recently been published by the Quartermaster General of the U. S. Army, Gen. M. C. Meigs, entitled "Report on Fuel for the Army," which contains the results of 106 experiments with various coals, 75 with a vertical water-tube boiler known as the Little Giant, rated at 5 horse-power, and 31 with a vertical water tube boiler of about the same capacity, designed by General Meigs. Of the experiments with the Little Giant boiler, 25 were made with Pennsylvania anthracite, and 50 with semi-bituminous, bituminous, lignite and cannel coals; with the other boiler 6 experiments were made with Pennsylvania anthracite and 25 with semi-bituminous, bituminous, lignite and cannel coals. A very much larger number of coals were tested than in Johnson's experiments, and they included coals from nearly every section of the United States, and also some foreign coals. In the letter transmitting the report to the Secretary of War, General Meigs states that the object of the experiments was a careful determination of the actual value as fuel of the various kinds of fuel purchased and issued for the use of the army.

These numerous experiments having been conducted at Government expense, with all the facilities which the War Department is capable of affording, by Mr. L. M. Luncker, "a mechanical engineer, educated at the Polytechnic School, Karlsruhe, Germany," in the light of the American experiments of 40 years ago, and of various experiments in foreign countries in more recent times, it might be expected that this report would be an exceedingly valuable one, and that we would find in it either the actual value as fuel of the various coals of the United States, or at least their relative value as a fuel for producing steam. As a matter of fact, however, the report is a disappointing one, and not at all valuable nor creditable to the department which issued it. It contains no analysis of the coals nor any measure of their heating power. The various coals are used by the army as fuel, probably more for heating purposes than for raising steam, yet the report assumes that the heating power of a coal is the same, relatively, as its power of raising steam "in a good steam boiler." If the report did contain even accurate determinations of the steaming power of the various coals, without any attempt at determining their heating power when burned in a heating furnace, or stove or grate, it would still be valuable, and would take the place of Johnson's report; but instead it has all the errors of Johnson in determining the relative steaming values of the bituminous coals intensified. All that the report does contain is simply a statement of what evaporative results were obtained from small quantities (145 to 1200 pounds) of various coals burned at approximately uniform rates of combustion, in a pair of boilers which were entirely unsuitable to the development of even the correct relative steaming power of nearly all the bituminous coals, especially those mined west of the Allegheny Mountains, and containing 30 per cent. or more of volatile matter. General Meigs himself recognizes that the results he obtained are inferior to Johnson's. "In order," he says, "to bring its (the Little Giant boiler's) inferior results to the same scale as Johnson's, which are assumed as exact, it has been necessary to use a coefficient by which the results of

the trials by the Little Giant boiler are corrected, in order to make them comparable with Johnson's." He says, further: "The boiler used in Johnson's experiments on the evaporative power of coal was expressly constructed for that purpose. It was more economical, more efficient. The coefficient to make Quartermaster-General's office results comparable with Johnson's is 0.843, and dividing Quartermaster-General's office results by this fraction, we have figures comparable with Johnson's." The report does not state how this coefficient was arrived at. It may have been obtained by averaging results, and is approximately correct for anthracite coals and for the free-burning semi-bituminous coals of Maryland, but for Pittsburgh coals the results obtained with the Little Giant boiler, even after dividing by the coefficient, are more than 10 per cent. lower than Johnson's; with Newcastle (English coal), 30 per cent. lower, and with Scotch coal, which happens to be the lowest in Johnson's whole list, over 11 per cent. lower.

The results obtained by General Meigs may be thus briefly summarized: With the Little Giant boiler, with 25 anthracite coals, the number of pounds of water evaporated from and at 212° per pound of coal varied from 8.68 down to 7.59 pounds, and after being divided by the coefficient 0.843, from 10.29 down to 9 pounds. With the same boiler, with 49 bituminous coals, after being divided by the coefficient, only two—a Somerset County, Pa., and a Cumberland, Md., coal—showed an evaporation of over 9 pounds, viz., 10 and 9.96 pounds. The third, a Colorado, showed respectively 8.59, 8.34 and 8.04 pounds. The sixth, a Pittsburgh coal, shows 7.84; the next five coals—one Pittsburgh, one Indiana, one New South Wales, one Indian Territory and one Vancouver's Island, show over 7 pounds. Then come 18 coals—including one from Pittsburgh; two from near Youngstown, Ohio; two Scotch and one English coals, between 6 and 7 pounds; ten coals between 5 and 6 pounds; eight between 4 and 5 pounds; and one, a Utah coal, only 3.79 pounds. Thus, 47 out of 49 bituminous coals, taken from nearly all parts of the world, give poorer results than the poorest obtained from the Pennsylvania anthracites. With the boiler designed by General Meigs, there were only six anthracites and 25 bituminous coals tested. It happens that two of the semi-bituminous coals, both from Somerset County, Pa., give better results—viz., 9.85 and 9.75—than any of the anthracites; then follow four out of the six anthracites, from 9.37 to 9.07; then one of the Pittsburgh coals appears, 9.7; then the other two anthracites, 9.04 and 8.87, and then the second Pittsburgh coal, 8.78. The two Pittsburgh coals, which gave in these tests 8.78 and 9.7, showed in the Little Giant boiler test, even after dividing the results by the coefficient, only 6.74 and 7.84 respectively, the differences being respectively more than 23 and more than 13 per cent. This fact alone is sufficient to show the total unreliability of these tests. A Scotch and an English coal also, which, in the Little Giant boiler, after dividing by the coefficient, gave only 6.25 and 6.07 pounds, in General Meigs's boiler gave 7.61 and 7.52 pounds. The lowest coal on the list is a Dakota lignite, which gave 4.03 pounds evaporation. It gave 4.47 pounds in the Little Giant test, after dividing by the coefficient, and is the only coal in which an important difference in its favor appears in the latter test. Of the 25 bituminous coals tested in General Meigs's boiler, 22 show results below the lowest of the six anthracites. With both boilers the tendency of the figures is to place the bituminous coals in general far beneath the anthracites in evaporative power. In this I think the tests are utterly misleading and worse than worthless.

(To be continued.)

## The Reading of Papers.

A recent issue of the *Engineering News*, referring to the annual convention of the American Society of Civil Engineers, says:

The advisability or non-advisability of reading "papers" at the annual conventions has been a bone of contention among members for years past. Some claim that this is the chief end of such meetings; that a "paper" should be read in all its length, no matter how ponderous, or how it bristles with mathematical formulae; that it should be there discussed "if it took all summer;" that the social element should be frowned down, and, above all, that the "fair sex" should be forbidden to waste the valuable time of so learned a gathering; that they should be excluded, in fact, altogether.

We differ radically from the above malcontents. A "paper" can be studied with more profit in the quiet and privacy of one's own office; the discussion of the paper will be more profitable to others when the facts are first carefully weighed and compared with other data in our home library; such professional debate, from its very practical form, demands leisure, and cannot be successfully carried out in the midst of the distracting influence of a visit to a new locality, and surrounded by new faces and novel conditions. There is certain formal business that must be transacted at these annual conventions; let that be got through with as speedily and orderly as possible; read by "title," if you will, the papers of the year, but publish and discuss them in the "Transactions" of the society, or at meetings at home devoted to this purpose solely.

The annual convention is the annual "summer jaunt" of the majority of the members present; it is probably the only one their duties will allow them. They come for pleasure as well as profit, but the profit they would derive from sitting in a crowded room, having a paper read at them that but few can hear, and fewer still digest, in that shape, is questionable. The real profit, as we regard it, is to be gained from the "solid chunks of wisdom" that may be picked up in a social way with men whose lips would in many cases remain sealed during a public debate.

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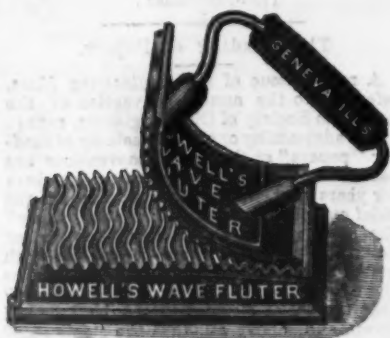
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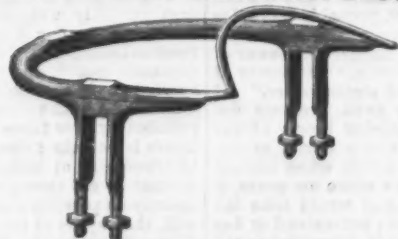
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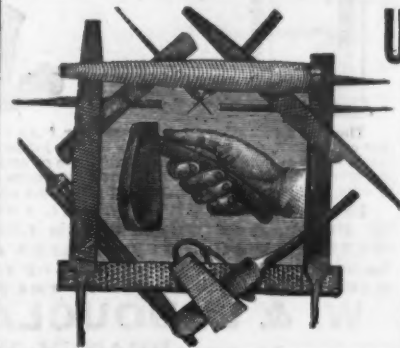
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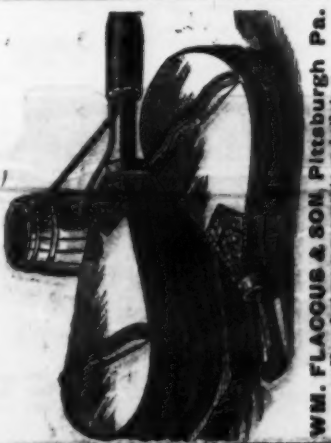
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### Senator Voorhees, of Indiana, on Protection.

Senator Voorhees takes a position on the tariff question which we think is significant of a Democratic change of front. After expressing the opinion that his party is not likely to repeat in its 1884 platform the mistake of 1880, Mr. Voorhees says:

A tariff for "revenue only" is an impossibility. Any tariff that is laid must protect to some extent. If men want to advocate free trade, let them do it; but no one ought to be allowed to commit the Democratic party to that theory, for the party voters won't subscribe to it. The tariff operates as a tax. Free trade would do away with the Custom Houses, abolish the duties on imports and levy a direct tax on the people for the support of the Government. In other words, it would increase general taxes \$200,000,000 a year, and people would have less to pay taxes with than they have now, for labor would be cheapened and industry discouraged. The people of Indiana won't help to bring about any such result. Taxes are already quite heavy enough, and are well adjusted. Industry is active and prosperous and labor happy. We owe largely to a protective tariff an industrial condition in Indiana whose annual product is \$200,000,000. There is no State and no place in the world of the same territory that is as rich in natural wealth and opportunities as is Indiana. We want to develop under the best conditions, and with those which have so far favored us we are very well satisfied. We don't believe in helping monopolies or anything of that kind, but rather in a tariff system for revenue, laid with the idea of protecting home industry and in advancing us to the higher planes of wealth and prosperity. Look at our State and see how a tariff that protects has helped and will help us. We are the last State timbered with hard wood this side of the great Western forests. This has not only made our timber valuable, but has led to the manufacture in the State of wagons, plows, mowers, reapers and every kind of farm implements on a scale so extensive that market is found for them both in this country and abroad. Our furniture manufacturers ship to nearly every country in the world. They have taken first prizes for fine work wherever they have exhibited during the last 15 years. In the southern part of the State we have the largest glass factory in the world, at which, owing to a protective tariff, such progress in manufacture has been made that there is no glass of any quality superior to that which is turned out there. Our stone quarries and clay beds are as good as can be found. We have the best of coal that is mined. It was discovered only about 15 years ago, but its value was at once recognized, and now the bulk of the products of the Superior and Missouri iron mines is brought here for treatment. After paying transportation we are able to turn out iron at \$13 a ton, against \$19 at Pittsburgh. The coal fields cover an area of 7000 square miles, or one-fifth of the State. Their development has already begun. The block coal, as it is known, burns to ashes as white as hickory. It never cakes or runs together. These qualities enable the blast to force the flame through the contents of the furnace, thus avoiding danger from chilling, and reducing the ore without the preliminary process of cooking. We have to use no charcoal, as they do at Pittsburgh. This serves the purpose of both coal and charcoal. No coal has yet been discovered west of this State suitable for the manufacture of iron. This will develop our industry immensely, because, in addition to the present trade, the great West will soon be looking to us for their iron and steel, as the East looks to Pennsylvania.

We have here a town whose growth illustrates the result of a policy of protection. The place has been settled for 60 years. The population after 45 years was about 17,000. Then the nail factory and other industries started here, and the population has increased steadily at the rate of 1000 a year, so that within 15 or 20 years we have nearly doubled our numbers. Factories within a radius of ten miles give employment to over 5000 workmen, and they and their families furnish an active and hungry market to the farmers hereabouts for vegetables and the like. A market for corn was provided at a distillery, which until last winter used 4300 bushels a day, paying Chicago prices for it, sometimes more, and saving farmers transportation and delay. So we have a community here, as all over the State, which is happy and prosperous, and asks only to be allowed to continue so. There are not less than 15,000 manufacturing establishments in the State, employing at least 75,000 hands, nearly all voters. If any one supposes that

any of these people, or the farmers who supply them food, or the tradesmen of whom they buy, will support a movement designed to strike at a system under which they flourish, and on which they are more or less dependent, especially when they know that a change to free trade would impose direct taxation as well as cheapen labor and hamper industry—I say if any one supposes this he will find himself much mistaken. There is no one in this State who believes in such a change. Talk of what Mr. McDonald or Mr. Hendricks may believe, other than what I have said is without substantial warrant. President-making is no concern of mine. My ambition is within and for Indiana. But when it is charged that the leaders here are of different minds regarding the great issues affecting the industries and prosperity of the State, I know better. The relations of Mr. McDonald, Mr. Hendricks and myself are cordial, politically as well as personally. The tariff plank in the State platform of last year declared for a revenue tariff, with incidental protection, designed to foster our industries. I wrote it, and Mr. McDonald stamped the State with me in its favor. The tariff planks in the Pennsylvania and North Carolina platforms were drawn in the same spirit, almost in the same words, and the people approve them, as they did here. The National platform must make similar declarations to carry the country. If it should, I can go through this State with it and get a Democratic majority of 12,000 votes.

What I said about the industries of Indiana applies with even greater force to the condition of the South. The iron wealth of Virginia yet undeveloped is larger than that of Pennsylvania. West Virginia, East Kentucky and Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama are all included in the great Eastern iron belt that begins in New York and has been the source of much of Pennsylvania's power. Manufactures are getting a foothold in the South. In the address I made at the opening of the Atlanta Cotton Exposition, I advised the people there to build mills for themselves, and thus keep at home the profits both of production and manufacture. They are doing it, and now turn out as good cotton goods of the cheaper qualities as are made anywhere. This has given an impetus to Southern enterprise, and it will grow until that entire country will be demanding protection for her industries. An era of great prosperity is before the South.

The free-trade cry comes mainly from New England. That section has been protected so long as to be able to stand alone and compete with the world, and now wants to crush out all possible rivals in this country. The South, no doubt, is already making inroads on the New England trade in coarse cloths, and it would be a very nice thing for New England to get back that trade and be sure of holding it. Interests more powerful than New England's, however, will maintain a tariff that will recognize and encourage growing industries. Under this policy devised and carried on by the best minds of our history, part of the country has been made strong; the greater part still needs assistance. It is the policy urged by Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Jackson and such men, and, I believe, is still favored by the mass of the Democratic party.

### METALLURGICAL NOTES.

#### A Miniature Blast Furnace.

The Journal of the United States Association of Charcoal Iron Workers gives some interesting particulars relating to a miniature blast furnace, or rather cupola, which was erected in Freedom, Sauk County, Wis., a short time since. It is an iron shell, 5 feet diameter and 21 feet high, lined with fire-brick, so as to have the following interior dimensions: Diameter at bottom, 20 inches; diameter at top of crucible, 24 inches; height of crucible, 48 inches; diameter at base, 40 inches; height of base, 9 feet from bottom; diameter of tunnel head, 26 inches; total height, 21 feet. It was provided with two 1 1/2-inch tuyeres placed 20 inches above the bottom. Opening were cut in the shell to accommodate the tuyeres, water tym and gas flue, the latter being formed of fire-brick 16 inches inside diameter, extending from the hearth level to within 2 feet of the tunnel-head, and rivaling in size the furnace stack itself. Ample boiler power and a 40-horsepower steam engine, which had done previous service at a tannery, were supplied, and at first connected with a fan-blower. This proved unsatisfactory, and a horizontal cylinder 18 inches in diameter and 22 inches stroke, which had been used to agitate beer in a brewery, was substituted with but little better results. An oven containing 14 small ox-bow, hot-blast pipes was also erected. The furnace has not been a success, and no attempt to continue the experiment has been made since February, although it is reported that a stack of larger dimensions is to be erected there. During the time a fan-blower was used the blast was cold—and weak. The hot-blast was added when the piston blower was procured. About 10 tons of iron were cast over the dam in the aggregate, mostly in the shape of scrap. The supply of ore is entirely local and of uncertain extent.

#### Utilizing Blast Furnace Slag.

Referring to the experiments now being made in Sweden to crush blast furnace slag into sand and utilize it for road and railway making, a contemporary remarks that this has been done to a considerable extent, notably in Eastern Pennsylvania. Large quantities of slag have been reduced to sand by running it hot from the furnace into a tank partially filled with water, a jet of water also playing on the molten stream as it fell. This granulated material makes good walks, and answers admirably for a top dressing for clayey wagon roads. It is, however, too light for railroad ballast. The Philadelphia and Reading Railroad have for several years utilized many thousands tons of blast furnace slag, which has been broken by crushers, and, in working over old cinder piles, have recovered considerable quantities of iron. The coarser portions of the cinder are used for ballast, and the finer particles are placed on walks, &c., about depots. About 50,000 tons of crushed cinder have been taken from the slag pile at Swede furnace, and a crusher is still in operation

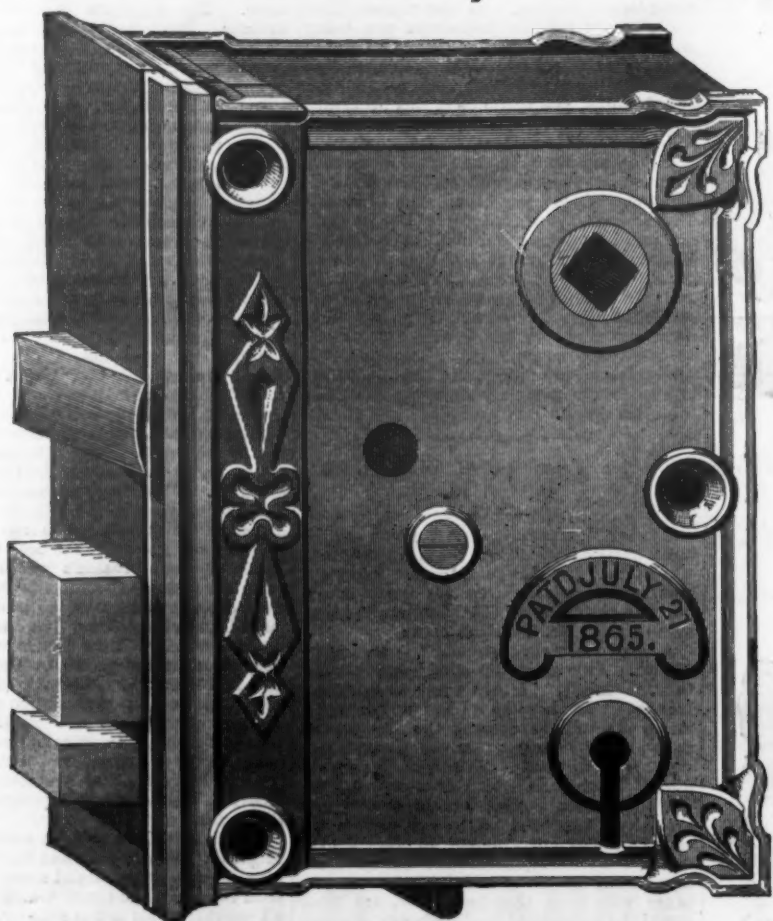


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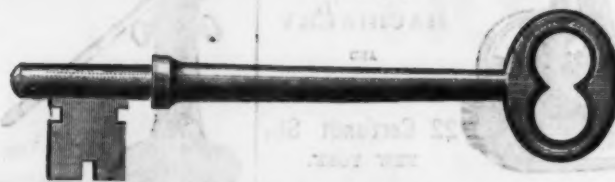
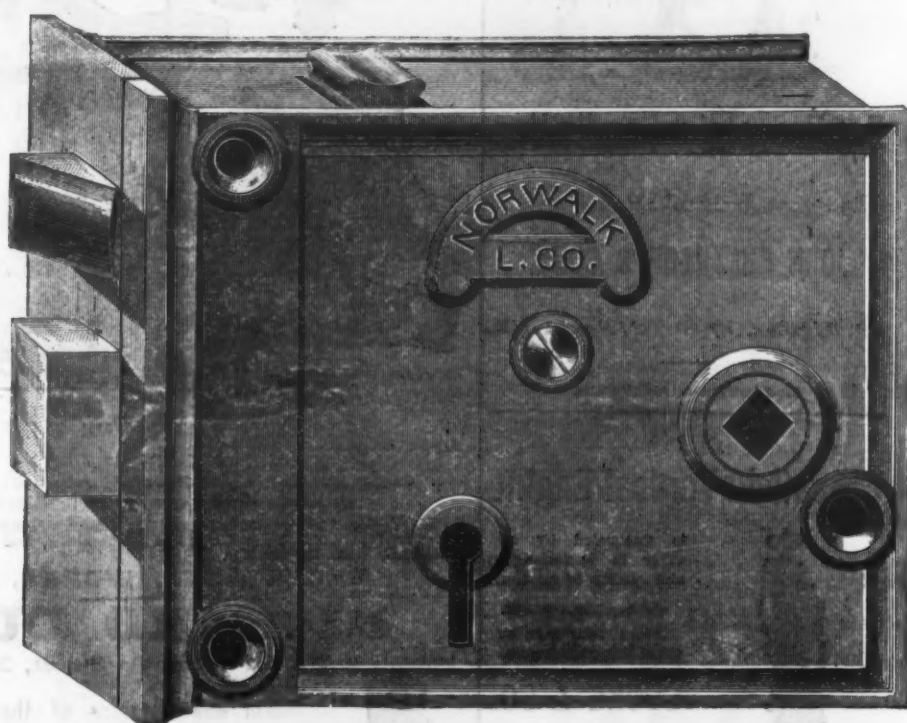
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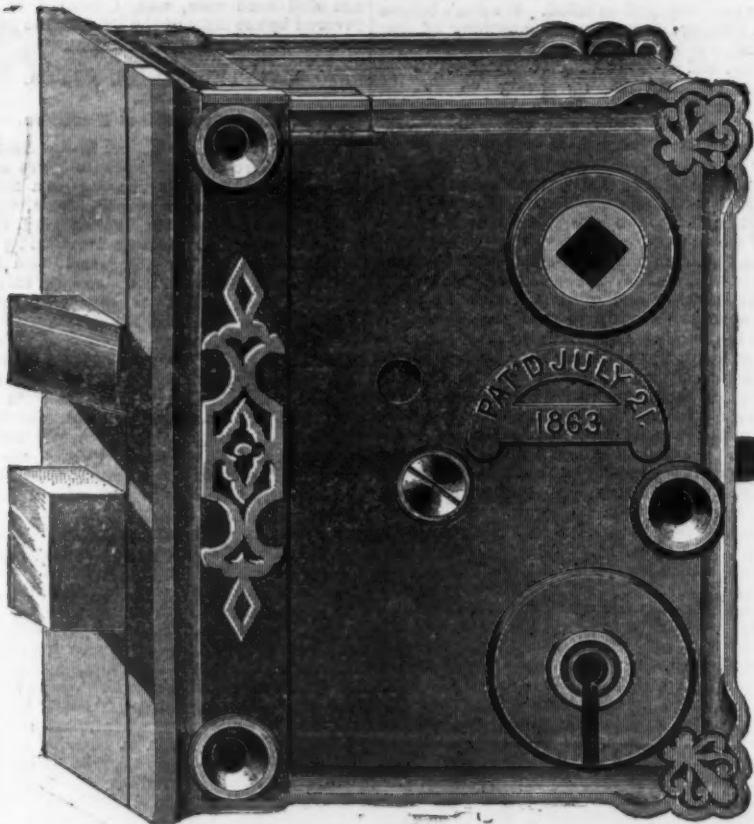
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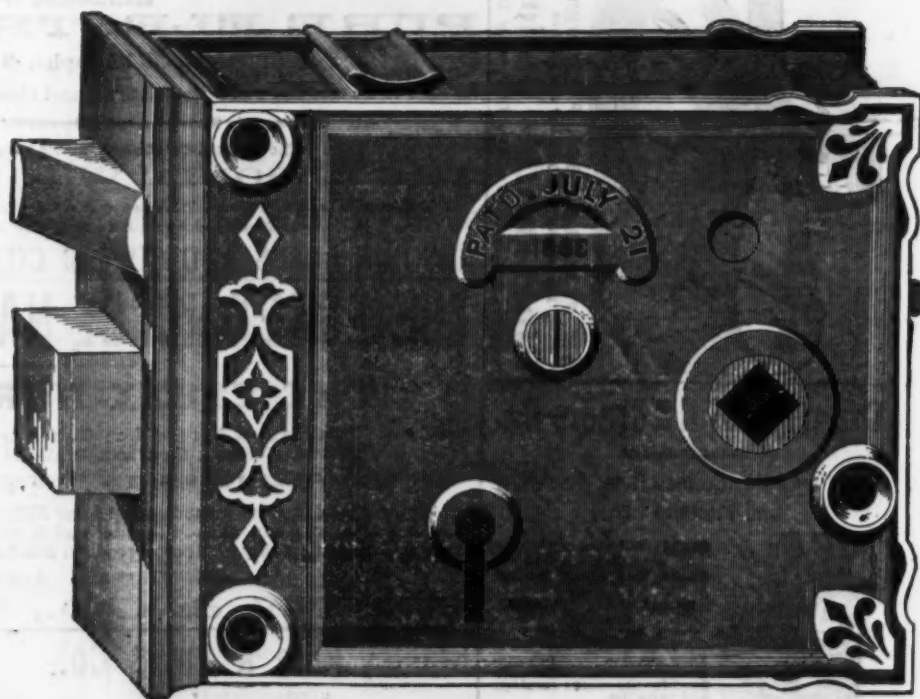
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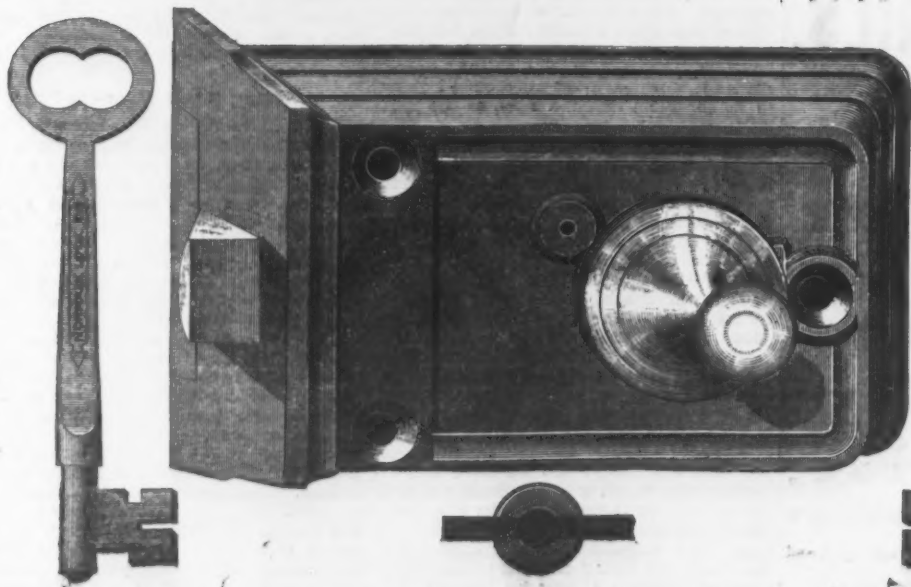
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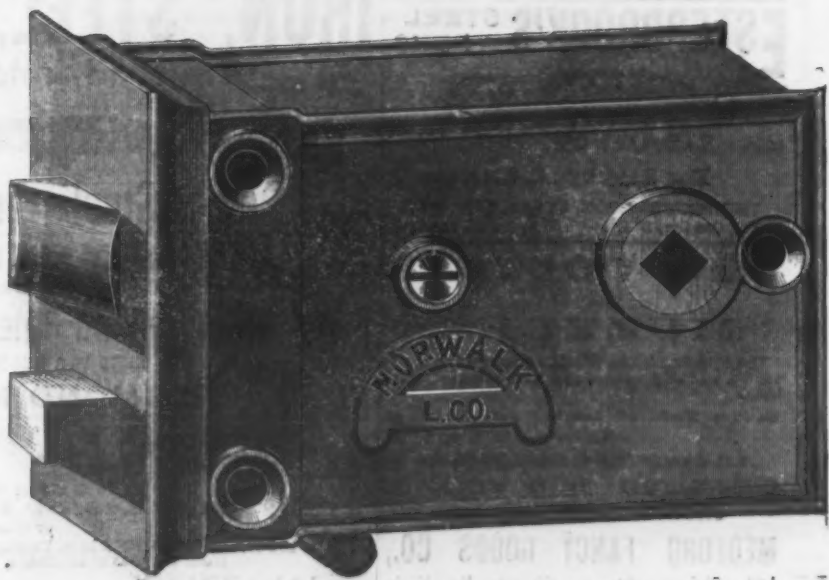
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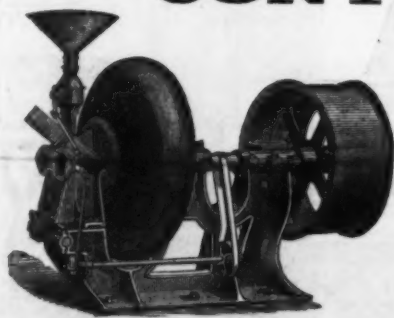
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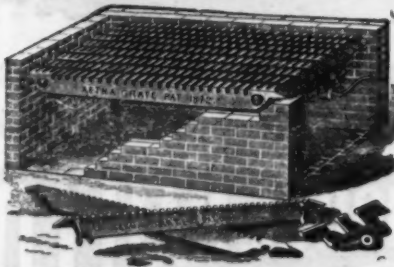
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### SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL.

#### Causes of Sharp Flanges on Car-Wheels.

A correspondent of the *Railway Age*, in commenting upon an article under the above head which recently appeared in that journal, submits the following, which will be read with interest: "In an article in your issue of May 24, on 'The Causes of Sharp Flanges on Car Wheels,' you say, first, 'the car builders may discover the cause thereof, but it is doubtful whether sharp flanges can be prevented.' Again, 'Let any one examine the steel rails on any well-traveled railway track, and observe the lamination of the rails, due to the heavy and continuous loads which are moved over them, and upon the inner and upper edges of the rails are projecting laminations—sharp, hard and many-edged surfaces—which cut into the base of the flanges of every car-wheel which passes over them.' \* \* \* The rail must continue to take the hammering. It is the under dog in the fight—it always has been, and evidently always will be. The 'gouge' into the wheel is the only retaliation it makes. If the rail is continually flattened and pressed out by the load on the wheel, a flat tread will not remedy the evil, for if the rail yields in this manner under the traffic it carries we must expect the laminations and the consequent rough edges.' Sharp flanges are no doubt of frequent occurrence, and therefore a source of considerable expense on many railroads. I have heard it estimated as high as 30 per cent. of all the wheels removed on some roads, while other roads claim that they do not remove 3 per cent. There must be some reason for so great a diversity of experience. This reason is, I think, obvious, and is due almost entirely to the shape of the head of the rail upon which the wheels roll. Some rails are designed with the top corners turned with  $\frac{1}{8}$  inch radius, while others have  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch to  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch radius. All wheels when new have the curve connecting the tread of wheel with flanges turned with radius approximating  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch. No practical man who has given the matter any thought but will see at a glance that on the former section of rail the wheels will be cut into at the junction of the flange and tread when the chill is thinnest, and the result is seen in straight and thin flanges until the rail is worn off to the radius it should have been made, while on the latter section so much of the rail and wheel section corresponds as to distribute the wear over a larger surface, thereby saving the wear of both wheel and rail and retaining their normal section while wearing away. What would be thought of a self-styled mechanic who would make a  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch diameter journal bearing with the bottom of it half as thick as the sides, and then put a  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch journal in it, and complain because the journal wore through the bottom instead of wearing equally all around? I have walked many a mile on a good many 'well-traveled railways,' but I never saw on any rail with top corner turned to an approximation of the shape of flange base, and such 'projecting laminations, sharp, hard and many-edged surfaces to cut into, &c.' The rail is flattened, and to some extent the metal is pressed out, and the tendency is no doubt to press it equally in both directions, but it is free to go outward, meeting with no obstruction, and while it may go inward to some extent, it cannot assume the 'many-edged surface,' because the flange of the wheel prevents it. I am aware that with a rail turned with much less radius than the junction between flange and tread, and with the inner edge of the rail head nearly vertical, the space between the rail and the flange where it does not touch may receive some of the metal that flows or is pressed out, but it can do no harm there, for as soon as it reaches the flange it is smoothed and goes to shape the head of the rail as it should have been originally designed. The writer of the article referred to admits that the 'outer rail of the curve has its inner and upper edge worn round and smooth.' This is due to the front wheel of the truck running against that rail, but he should not forget that the rear truck wheel runs against the inner rail of the curve though not pressing it so hard, and every one knows who has ridden in the rear of a train running at high speed on a tangent that the cars vibrate from one rail to the other, so that I see very little chance for these 'sharp, hard and many-edged projecting laminations' to thrive. I contend, therefore, that what is wanted to prevent sharp flanges is to have the rails made to conform to the shape of the wheel section, instead of having the wheels wear out to fit an improperly shaped rail. It is true 'the rail is the under-dog,' but it must not be forgotten that a 33-inch wheel turns around 611 times in each mile, so that the top dog is the greater sufferer. I am not prepared to say whether the cylindrical wheel will do away with these destructive tendencies of wheel and rail, but I do maintain—without intending to get into an argument on the merits of cylindrical or conical wheels—that the cylindrical wheel brings the bearing on the rail where it should be first—in the center of the head, instead of on the inner edge, tending to turn the rail and cut it to the cross-ties; that it affords a more uniform bearing over the rail-head, that it will very much reduce the oscillations of cars running at high speed, and that it offers less resistance in passing curves."

#### The Hawley Steam Snow Plow.

An interesting piece of machinery on exhibition at the Chicago Railway Exposition was the Hawley steam snow plow and excavator. It consists principally of a large screw conveyor, working at a high speed inside of an iron box about 12 feet wide, open in front to receive the snow. As the plow is pushed forward by the locomotive behind it, the screw, which is worked by two powerful engines mounted upon standard trucks, can be run at a high rate of speed, cutting into the snow, lifting it to the roof and throwing it to either side of the track. The apparatus is said to have had a very severe test on its trial on the

Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway, where it opened a channel through a cut 150 feet long, filled with packed ice and snow to the depth of 6 feet. The machine on exhibition, the only one yet built, is 8 feet high, but one is being built entirely of steel, which will be 12 feet high with a screw 12 feet 6 inches in diameter. The standard locomotive boiler is used, also standard trucks. The machine will be 34 feet long and weigh 22 tons, having two engines with cylinders 14 x 16 inches. The company sells the right to manufacture and use the machine to railroad companies at \$2 per mile of track operated. The cost of the machine is said to be about \$2800.

#### The Porosity of Stone.

Experiments made some time since by Prof. Doremus have shown that gas will readily pass through stone. A block of brown sandstone, 12 by 15 inches long and 4 or 5 inches thick, was used. A pipe was clamped on to the stone by means of iron plates, and this pipe connected by means of flexible tubes with the gas pipes. The remainder of the stone was painted over several thicknesses with varnish. Opposite to the point where the gas was applied there was another pipe for the gas to escape from. In a few moments a lighted paper applied to it caused a flame to appear, showing that the gas had passed through the stone.

#### Microscopic Organisms in Building Materials.

Porous materials, such as bricks of baked clay, are often observed to become friable or pulverulent to a variable depth on their exterior, and this occurs especially where the baking has not been sufficient. M. Parize, in dwelling upon this subject in *La Nature*, writes as follows: "This species of decay, thus begun, gradually enters the brick to a greater and greater depth, and ends by reducing it to powder. Up to the present time this phenomenon has been attributed to the action of moisture, to alternations of heat and cold, &c.; but from the observations which I am about to relate, it is probable that these agencies are merely secondary ones, and that they have the effect only of favoring the action of the true cause of destruction, which, from what follows, should, as a general thing, be referred to the development of microscopic organisms. One day, on examining some mureddines that had vegetated upon a brick partition in the interior of a closed apartment which was somewhat damp, I remarked that the plastering exhibited blisters or bubble-like projections at certain points. On puncturing one of these, there issued from it a very fine red dust that had resulted from a pulverization of the brick. I at once thought of the presence of larvae or of insects, and therefore looked for these, with a lens, among the debris. Finding nothing, I had recourse to the microscope, and, under a magnification of about 300 diameters, saw in the midst of the debris of the diatoms and silicious algae that had belonged to the clay from which the brick was made, an immense number of living microscopic organisms. The existence and propagation of these proto-organisms in such an environment, beneath a continuous layer of plaster 5 to 6 mm. thick, has a right to surprise us; and yet this is not all. Having cleaned the rotted surface of the bricks with a stiff brush, I drilled a hole therein about 30 mm. in depth, and examined under the microscope the dust taken from the bottom of the cavity. The same organisms showed themselves, but not in so great a number (about 100 per square centimetre of the preparation, instead of 150 that were met with in the first observation). All the bricks that exhibited the symptoms of deterioration just described offered the same microbes in varying number. The microscopic preparation was made, in each case, by dropping a pinch of the dust to be studied into a few drops of pure water or alcohol, and taking a drop of the supernatant liquid. The conclusions to be drawn from these facts are numerous. They show us, in the first place, that germs and spores may be preserved, so to speak, indefinitely, within surroundings that are eminently protective to them, and where no one up to the present time had dreamed of going to look for them. Hence is explained the utility of the disinfecting processes that are employed in apartments, hospitals or stables in which cases of contagious diseases have occurred. The scraping and whitewashing of walls are the only prophylactic means that have, up to the present time, a known effect. It may be easily seen that these operations remove from the walls the permeable layer in which the parasitic germs have been enabled to establish themselves and multiply therein in a different stage of development from that under which they determine well-known morbid effects. Besides, these observations establish the fact that the rôle of the infinitely small is to be taken into account in the duration of buildings and other structures. We might possibly seek here the reasons for the rapid destruction of numerous Semitic monuments built of slightly baked or merely sun-dried bricks by the Assyrians and some other ancient peoples. Finally, this same cause may possibly play a rôle in the disintegration of schistose rocks, and of the agglomerates or clods that enter into the composition of arable soils."

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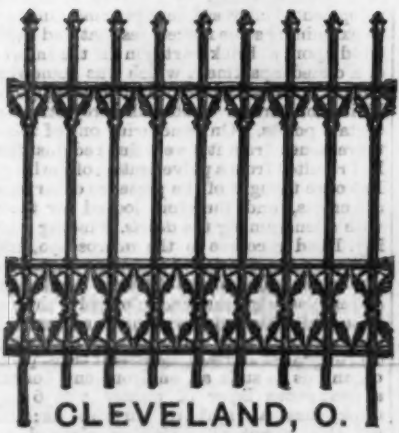
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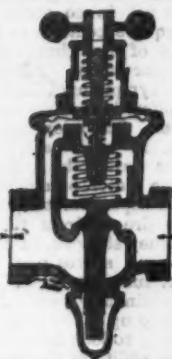
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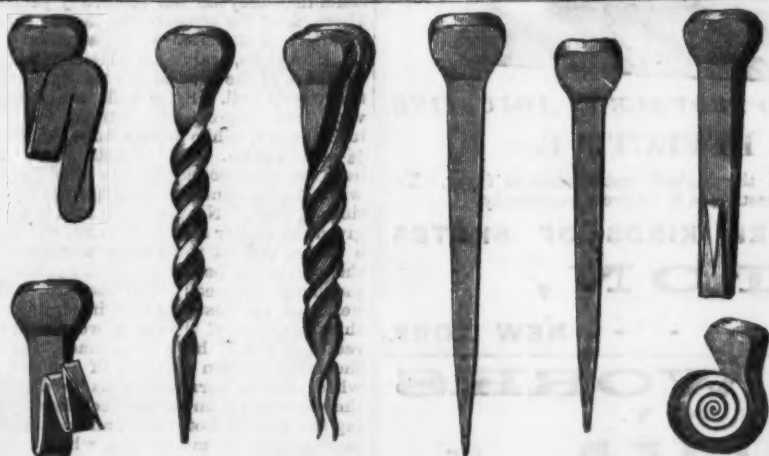


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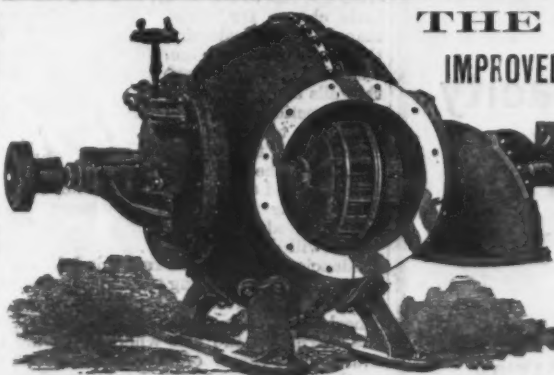
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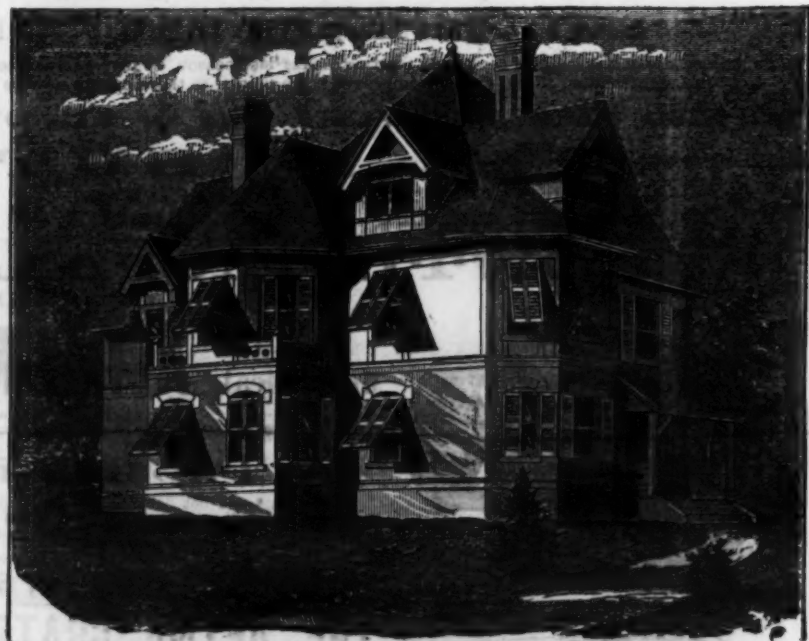
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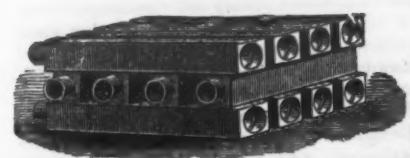






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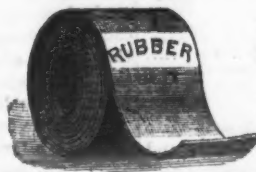
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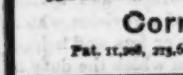
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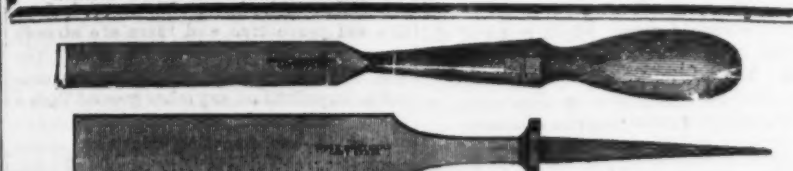
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### A Big Blast.

For three months past, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, preparations had been making for a great powder blast in the granite quarries at Synite, about 100 miles down the Iron Mountain Railroad and immediately south of the St. Francis River. The blast took place on June 21, when 4000 pounds of powder were discharged and over 50,000 tons of rock, by actual measurement, were lifted and turned over in masses convenient for cutting into pavement blocks, and some 20,000 or 30,000 tons more moved so as to make future quarrying operations comparatively easy. The place where the enormous blast took place, the greatest that has ever occurred in any quarry in the United States, was on the face of a granite hill fronting to the north. At or near the foot of this hill a cutting some 22 feet deep had been made for quarrying in the usual way, but after this depth had been reached the rock was found so tightly bound that an ordinary quarry blast had no effect on it, the force of the discharges coming directly out of the drill holes. Under these circumstances it was decided to run a tunnel from the bottom of the cut southward through the hill. This was done and an entrance made 86 feet into the body of the rock. When this had been done it was found that the tunnel, which had started from the bottom of the cut 22 feet below the surface, was 47 feet below, the rise of the hill accounting for the difference. Then at the extremity of the tunnel a chamber 8 feet in length was bored to the west, and about midway of the tunnel another chamber of the same length was bored to the east. In each of these chambers 40 kegs, or 1000 pounds of powder, were placed, and then rough masonry was built up in front of each chamber and down the length of the tunnel to about 20 feet north of the middle chamber, insulated wires being carried from each charge to the mouth of the tunnel and thence about 1000 feet over the crest of the hill to the electric batteries. The difficulty of the operation was largely enhanced by the heavy rains that have recently fallen. In fact, had it not been for the rains which continually kept flooding both tunnel and chambers the blast would have taken place three weeks ago. On Wednesday night, June 20, Mr. W. R. Allen, president of the granite company, was notified that the water had been pumped out and the mines charged, and that if nothing unforeseen occurred all would be in readiness to fire the shot on Thursday afternoon. He consequently went down by the morning train and superintended the final operations.

The people in the neighborhood were considerably excited. There are about 1000 inhabitants of the village of Synite, and they were exercised about the safety of themselves and their houses. Most of them took the window-sashes out of their dwellings and carefully stowed them away in cotton or wool to prevent the blast smashing the glass, and some took the precaution of getting behind a hill about three miles away. It had been agreed that half an hour before the time for exploding the charges the steam whistle of the works should be blown, and when the shrill blast was heard, about 3.30 p. m., it was amusing to see the people scampering off over the hills to places of safety. The blasting party, headed by Mr. Allen, were the last to leave the cut. They picked their way quickly up the face of the hill, below which the volcanic charges lay, and finally reached the batteries. On their way from the point of danger care was taken to look out for and warn any stragglers who might have been found, but all seemed so well informed on the subject that nothing in the semblance of humanity could be seen outside of their own party. Having been thoroughly satisfied about the safety of others, Mr. Allen quietly took his cigar from his lips and said, "Shoot her off." The battery operator turned the key, while anxiety was depicted on every face. The dead silence that ensued seemed awfully long, and the first impression was that the whole thing was a failure, and several minds were wondering who would be the first to

have the hardihood to go down into the mine. But just then, probably not half a second from the time the battery key had been turned, a slight quiver under foot was felt. The giant below had commenced his struggle. Then a low rumble, like the muttering of distant thunder; and then a loud roar which reverberated through the distant hills, and that was followed by the sound of falling rock in vast masses. This last sound was followed by the appearance of a vast volume of dense smoke which rose in great white columns and floated over the entire valley. The blast had been successful, and thousands of tons of rock lay ready for the hand of the stone-cutter, and so perfect had been the arrangements that no one was hurt. The actual measurements of the mass completely removed and broken up, as above described, or disturbed so as to make the granite convenient for future quarrying, are 100 feet south from the mouth of the tunnel by 200 feet wide, along and extending each way beyond the face of the cut, and 40 feet deep on the average. The calculation, therefore, shows 200 x 100 x 40—800,000 cubic feet, or about 70,000 tons.

### Sales of Government Vessels.

Secretary Chandler, under date of June 21st, has issued a circular relating to proposals for the purchase of condemned Government vessels. According to this, sealed proposals will be received at the Navy Department until noon on Monday, September 24th, at which time and place they will be opened for the purchase of certain vessels which have been stricken from the Navy Register under authority of an act of Congress, approved August 5th, 1882, and which it is deemed for the best interests of the United States to sell. The vessels offered, their appraised value and their locality are:

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On application to the department a printed list will be furnished giving general information concerning the vessels; also forms of bids and bonds which must be used by bidders. The vessels can be examined at any time by applying to the commandants of the yards.

The purchasers must remove the vessels purchased from the limits of the yards or stations within such reasonable time as may be fixed by the department.

The Knights of Labor.—According to Pittsburgh advices, rumors have been current for some time past that at the next meeting of the general assembly of the Knights of Labor, which will be held in Cincinnati in August, the representatives of the Pittsburgh district, which is the most important in the order, embracing 100 square miles of territory and 80 local assemblies, representing as many different trades, will submit a proposition that the system of the organization be changed so that representatives of the different trades, instead of being massed into miscellaneous districts, be allowed to form districts in which only members of one trade will be eligible to membership. The report, which was repeatedly denied by the members of the order whose headquarters are in that city, is said to have been confirmed by one who is high in authority. The reason assigned by this gentleman for the change is that in that district, with its 80 assemblies, the representatives of some trade are always on strike, and others who derive no benefit are compelled to contribute to their support. He says the change was proposed a year ago and voted down, but that since then the feeling has become general that the order in its present shape is unwieldy, and that a change is necessary to prevent it from going to pieces. He expressed no doubt that this change will be authorized. The announcement of this programme has caused considerable excitement, and by many it is predicted that the trade organization, whose founders promised such wonderful things, is on the verge of disintegration.



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## Range of Prices in Iron Products for Six Months.

We have made a careful study of the prices for leading iron products which have been quoted in our market reports from the beginning of the present year, and believe that our readers will be interested in the figures which we have collected and herewith present. These figures definitely and accurately portray the nature and extent of the shrinkage in prices which has been in progress during the first half of the present year. This shrinkage has affected all products, but the prices of some have fallen much lower in proportion than others. In most cases the reduction has been so severe as to cut down to the actual cost of production, if not lower. It is inevitable that such a shrinkage should have been accompanied with failures, but it is a matter for congratulation that these have not been very numerous nor seriously disastrous. The principal insolvents in the iron trade in the past six months were the Union Iron and Steel Co., of Chicago; the Bay State Iron Co., of Boston; John V. Ayers' Sons, of Chicago; James Marshall & Co., of Pittsburgh, and the Grafton Iron Co., of Ohio. The Union Iron and Steel Co.'s failure caused the suspension of the Fox River Iron Co., of Wisconsin, and the Kansas Rolling Mill Co., of Kansas. The failure of John V. Ayers' Sons caused the suspension of Brown, Bonnell & Co., of Youngstown, and the failure of the Grafton Iron Co. caused so much gossip concerning Graff, Bennett & Co., of Pittsburgh, that they were obliged to call their creditors together and procure an extension, although in possession of ample assets. Among the minor failures of the half year were those of C. W. Leavitt, of Philadelphia, N. J.; Klonman Brothers, of Pittsburgh; the Klonman Iron and Steel Co., of Moundsville, W. Va.; Mumper & Co., of Barre Forge, Pa.; J. L. Edwards & Co., of Canal Dover, Ohio; the Greenwood Rolling Mill Co., of Tamaqua, Pa.; Wesley Wilson & Co., of Mahoning Furnace, Pa.; the Cleveland Furnace Co., of Steubenville, Ohio, &c. The Allentown Iron Co. also announced their determination to quit business because of the unprofitableness of the manufacture of pig iron.

These failures occurred at intervals from about the 1st of February, and they served to unnerve the boldest in the iron trade, causing at the same time a greater feeling of timidity among buyers than had previously existed, the result of which was seen in their purchasing merely from hand to mouth, carrying as little stock as possible. The pig-iron market was particularly weakened at Pittsburgh in April by the failure of James Marshall & Co., which disclosed the unsavory fact that that firm controlled 57,000 tons of pig iron, which would have to be disposed of, and it was not known how soon.

But it happened that very little of the Marshall iron was thrown on the market, and that factor of depression gradually lost its force. A labor contest was expected to begin at Pittsburgh and other Western points on the 1st of June, compelling the stoppage of rolling mills, and the anticipation of that event caused the price of pig iron to weaken and of manufactured iron to harden; but the question was amicably settled, and that element of disturbance dropped out of sight. It was announced early in the year that railroad building would be very languidly pushed this season, but it appears that we are building more new railroad than was built in any previous year except last year, and the rail mills are full of orders, and the prophets of evil can extract no comfort from that quarter. The daily newspapers have for some time been influencing pig-iron buyers not to make purchases at present prices, by publishing wild statements of furnaces going out of blast wholesale, and hinting at the same time at the existence of immense stocks of pig iron in makers' hands, which would presumably be thrown upon the market soon by the embarrassed holders; but a high statistical authority exploded that story by showing authoritatively that furnaces were not being blown out at a panic rate, and that stocks were not by any means enormously large. The recovery from the depths of depression seems even now to be in progress, as foundry pig iron is in notably better demand at former prices, and there is an improved feeling in many other lines. We hope that the prices which we will now give have marked the lowest level which will be reached in 1883.

The following table shows the range of prices, highest and lowest, at New York City, per gross ton, for No. 1 anthracite foundry pig iron, old T. rails, and No. 1 wrought scrap from yard, during the past six months:

	No. 1 anthracite.	Old rails.	W. wrought scrap.
Jan. . . . .	\$25.00	\$24.00	\$27.00
Feb. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Mar. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Apr. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
May . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
June . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00

In the time above covered some sales at exceptionally low prices were made in this city or in near localities. In March a sale of old rails from store at \$21 was made. In the first week of June a sale of old rails was made at Bridgeport, Conn., at \$20.50. In March sales of wrought scrap from ship were made at \$24, in May at \$23.50, and in June at \$22.

The highest and lowest prices in the past six months at Philadelphia for No. 1 anthracite foundry pig iron, foreign Bessemer pig

## iron, refined bar iron, ship and tank plate, sheet iron and steel rails were as follows:

	No. 1 anthracite.	Foreign Bessemer.	Refined bar iron.
Jan. . . . .	\$25.00	\$24.00	\$27.00
Feb. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Mar. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Apr. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
May . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
June . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00

The following tables show the highest and lowest prices at Pittsburgh for various products, including coke, which is, however, quoted at the oven and per net ton of 2000 pounds:

	Neutral forge pig iron.	Bessemer pig iron.	Old rails.
Jan. . . . .	\$25.00	\$24.00	\$27.00
Feb. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Mar. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Apr. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
May . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
June . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00

	Bar iron per pound.	Cut nails, gross price per keg.	Coke at oven, per net ton.
Jan. . . . .	\$25.00	\$24.00	\$27.00
Feb. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Mar. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Apr. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
May . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
June . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00

In connection with the above figures, it may be mentioned that our Pittsburgh correspondent states that a round lot of Bessemer pig iron could probably be purchased at lower figures than are above quoted. Old rails have stiffened considerably in the past month. The lowest prices for bar iron are usually those accepted for desirable orders, which include a fair sprinkling of extras. The price of nails was held up for nearly four months of the present year by concerted action of the Western makers, who suspended their works almost without exception from January 15th to February 10th, and also for two weeks in March, thereby keeping the supply about equal to the demand. In March and April, however, it was found that Eastern makers were offering nails in the West at much lower prices than those charged by Western makers, and the latter were then obliged to make a reduction to preserve their trade. The price of coke has fallen to a figure never before known, but the producers have agreed to restrict their output, and the result will shortly be seen in an advance in quotations to a price which will at least cover cost.

An element of serious disturbance in the iron trade of various sections of the country in the past few months has been Southern coke pig iron, which has appeared as a competitor for business both in the East and in the West, and has been received with favor on account of its relative cheapness. In January and February there seemed to be danger that its low price would cause complete demoralization at certain trade centers, but in March the Southern furnace owners jointly advanced prices, which restored the market to a condition of comparative steadiness. The principal point of distribution of Southern coke pig iron is Cincinnati, at which point the price ranged as follows:

	Cincinnati.	Louisville.	Chicago.
Jan. . . . .	\$25.00	\$24.00	\$27.00
Feb. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Mar. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Apr. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
May . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
June . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00

Our series of prices would hardly be complete without embracing quotations for charcoal pig iron at various centers of consumption or sale. It may be said, in view of the fact that on the 1st of January the stock of charcoal pig iron in the hands of the makers was almost one-fourth of the total production of last year, that the price of charcoal pig iron has held up remarkably well, the lowest prices having been realized for Southern irons at Chattanooga and St. Louis. The range of prices has been as follows:

	Chattanooga.	St. Louis.	Richmond.
Jan. . . . .	\$25.00	\$24.00	\$27.00
Feb. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Mar. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
Apr. . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
May . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00
June . . . . .	25.00	24.00	27.00

The St. Louis pig-iron market seems to have been seriously out of joint in the past few months. Quite a large block of charcoal pig iron suitable for Bessemer purposes was sold there as low as \$19 per ton, and early in the month of June, Messrs. Hoffer & Co. reported "a panic in Southern coke irons," with "prices at odds and ends, and not fairly quotable."

In connection with the prices of charcoal pig iron, it will be of interest to state the prices of charcoal blooms at Philadelphia, which have been as follows, per bloom ton:

	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.
Jan. . . . .	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00	\$4.00
Feb. . . . .	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Mar. . . . .	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Apr. . . . .	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
May . . . . .	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
June . . . . .	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00

Senator Voorhees, of Indiana, has been talking in a very sensible fashion about the proper and probable attitude, in the next Presidential canvass, of the great political party with which he is identified. He thinks the Democratic party will not again commit the mistake which undoubtedly led to their defeat in 1880, for the reason that their shibboleth, in addition to inviting defeat, was in itself considered nonsense. "A tariff for revenue only," Senator Voorhees says, "is an impossibility. Any tariff that is laid must protect to some extent. If

"men want to advocate free trade, let them do it; but no one ought to be allowed to commit the Democratic party to that theory, for the party voters won't subscribe to it." This commends itself to us as a very wise and practical view of the matter. The British tariff of imports is as nearly a tariff for revenue only as could be devised, but it operates as a heavy protection to the brewing and one or two other interests, and however duties might be adjusted they would afford protection to something. Senator Voorhees takes the broad view that protection under a tariff is in itself desirable, and that the country has enjoyed a prosperity under a tariff for protection which would have been impossible without it. He believes that the Democratic party will declare for a revenue tariff with incidental protection to domestic industry. If this declaration is made in good faith it will put a stop to a great deal of nonsense which has lately emanated from gentlemen connected with that party, who evidently believe that the people of this country want free trade, and who cannot be convinced that they do not, even by the unmistakable lessons of experience.

## The Tariff and Trade.

The new tariff which went into effect on Monday of this week has cost the country more than we should care to estimate. The business stagnation, attributable chiefly, if not wholly, to this cause began to be severely felt about the time that the Tariff Commission submitted its report; the final acceptance of the Senate amendments administered the coup de grace to business confidence, and it has taken all the time since then to effect the adjustments involved in changes in the rates of duty. Now that the time for the application of the new tariff has come, it is not surprising that the change is effected without shock or disturbance. The effect of a change of rates has been so completely discounted in all lines of business affected, that unless the Treasury officials shall discover in the law a different meaning from that which it seems to have for the practical business men who have been studying it during the past few months, the losses and disappointments of the winter and spring will have paid the cost of a revision which has hurt everybody, more or less, and helped nobody at all. Goods on which the duty is increased, such as wines, woollens, dress goods, &c., have been withdrawn from bond, while those on which the duty is lowered have been allowed to accumulate in warehouse. This substitution has been so gradual, however, that the work of the Custom House is going on as usual. In the general markets prices have declined so low that any change is likely to be in the direction of an upward movement.

It is generally expected that the first week in July will mark the beginning of an improvement in business. We certainly hope this will prove true, and there are already many indications of a better feeling. The iron market, after a depression which cannot be explained on any other ground than a loss of public confidence in the future development of our domestic industries, shows signs of a revival which is equally difficult of explanation, unless we attribute it to the fact that these industries find themselves less seriously hurt than they feared. So far as the changes in the rates of duty are concerned, they cannot at present affect the market, although in future they will operate to keep the level of prices somewhat lower than the average of past years. The metal trades are also exempt from any present embarrassment from this cause. It is scarcely probable that the consumption of tin plates will be increased by the reduction of duties, as all that the country needs have come in under the old rates. Whether importers or consumers will get the benefit of the reduction remains to be seen. Our copper surplus for export is somewhat too large to leave room for importations, and the other metals are not likely to be presently affected. Before the end of the year we shall have opportunity of noting the practical effect of the changes, and of observing how the Treasury Department officers will construe those portions of the law which are more or less ambiguous.

As our readers are aware, we were not in favor of such tariff revision as resulted from the adoption of the Senate bill. The draft of a bill submitted by the Tariff Commission was in many ways better adjusted to the wants of the country than the Senate bill, and could have been adopted with much less disturbance of the business of the country. However, the best interests of the country were not considered, so far as could be judged from the action of Congress, and the present law was passed and approved. Now that it has come into operation, we can only advise our readers to meet the issue thus forced upon them as cheerfully and hopefully as possible. It is the duty, as well as the interest, of every manufacturer to do what he can to restore confidence and overcome the artificial conditions which for several months past have operated to neutralize natural conditions in many respects extremely favorable to trade. So far as we can judge, the immediate outlook is very far from discouraging. None of the essential elements of national prosperity are lacking. We could scarcely expect anything different from what we have experienced, pending a change in tariff rates involving a more or less general readjustment of costs and prices; but now that the dead line is passed

we hope that a better feeling will show itself in all departments of trade, and that prosperity during the last half of the year will, in part, at least, compensate for the losses and disappointments of the first half.

## Comparative Blast Furnace Practice.

The paper by Mr. W. Hawdon, on a comparison of the working of a blast furnace with varying temperatures of blast, which we publish in another part of this issue, will be read with much interest by many of our readers. Although, as stated in the introductory remarks of the paper, the subject of the value of high and low temperatures of blast has already received much attention, and has been so often discussed as to be considered thoroughly exhausted by some, Mr. Hawdon shows that the matter is still capable of being studied with profit and interest. His remarks embody an extended practical experience gained in connection with large furnaces, and with temperatures of blast varying from 1000 to 1400° F., and, having had facilities in thoroughly investigating the subject, the results submitted are entitled to special attention. The plan adopted by him for comparing the work done with different temperatures of blast was to embody the output of the furnace and the yield of materials per ton of iron of periods of some weeks in tables, giving also the temperatures of the blast and the gases during each period. The figures thus obtained by Mr. Hawdon are suggestive, showing that with increasing temperatures of blast (above 1000° F.) a greater output of iron and a gradual diminution in the consumption of fuel is experienced, and thus conclusively demonstrating the lack of foundation for the assertion sometimes advanced that, with temperatures of blast beyond 1000° F., no further economy in fuel would result.

In one case only, and that when the temperature of the blast was 1400° F., did Mr. Hawdon find a decrease in the output of iron as compared with the result when a lower temperature was employed. But this was accounted for by short stoppages for repairs of the furnace, thus restricting its actual working time. Pursuing his experiments still further, Mr. Hawdon took steps to ascertain whether or not the escaping gases were affected by the increased temperature of the blast. It was found that an increase in the latter produced a decrease in the former, or, in other words, a decrease in the amount of fuel used resulted in a decrease of the temperature of the gases. These determinations, judging from the information at hand, were carried out with great care, and may therefore be accepted as giving a fairly accurate account of the existing conditions. The volume of the escaping gases was also found to be the smallest when the higher temperatures of blast were used, since in such cases the amount of fuel consumed was smallest, and consequently the amount of air blown in to consume this fuel was correspondingly small. From this it naturally follows that with low temperatures of blast the volume of the escaping gases is larger, the amount of fuel consumed and the amount of air blown into the furnace also being larger. Finding, then, in every case, that with higher temperatures of blast a diminution in the fuel consumption and increased make of iron are obtained, Mr. Hawdon makes an interesting comparison as to the ratio of heating surface to cubical contents of pipe and fire-brick regenerating stoves, calculating at the same time whether it is worth while pulling down old stoves at any particular stage of wear and tear, and replacing them with brick-heating stoves of the Cowper, Whitwell or similar type. This calculation, which, we would incidentally remark, naturally yields a result strongly in favor of brick stoves, presents numerous features of interest, and will repay a careful perusal. Results of a number of analyses of the gases escaping from the furnace considered, and also the calorific value of the various sources of heat supply, are submitted in an appendix given at the end of the paper.

The system adopted by Bradstreet's Mercantile Agency, of reporting business failures by trades, is an important improvement over any method hitherto followed in the compilation of such statistics. It is much more instructive to a student of the business situation than the statistics of failures by States or general geographical divisions. Believing that it is the desire of this company to make their statistics as valuable as possible, we venture a few suggestions which we think will still further increase their usefulness and interest. For example, in the table elsewhere given, we find "Hardware, iron, steel, &c." as one item. This is somewhat too broad a generalization to have much value. It would be of great interest to have the figures opposite this item presented in several subdivisions. The hardware trade is a very important interest, and we should like to see it put down by itself, with two subdivisions of its own. Thus:

Hardware.  
Manufacturers.  
Dealers.

The items iron and steel might also be subdivided in the same way, if it were desired to give the figures a real value. This is true of some other items, but by no means of all of them. Out of 47 items in the table, only 17 could with advantage be so subdivided as to show the relation of failures among manufacturers to those among dealers. But the comparison thus rendered possible would be very instructive, and would give such statis-



ties a value far greater than they have ever had. It would show the relative condition of every important industry and trade in the United States, and, by giving warning of the weak places in our industrial and commercial system, would be of the greatest aid to those who have the management of credits, as well as to those desiring the information needed to enable them to shape their business policy wisely and intelligently. With the very perfect machinery at the command of Bradstreet's Agency, the subdivision of items, when such subdivision is likely to add greatly to their value, would not entail labor in proportion to the resulting benefit.

#### The Outlook for the Stove Trade.

Among the manufacturers assembled at Niagara during the past week, it is probable there were a majority who came there filled with gloomy forebodings as to the immediate future of the trade. The idea seemed to find quite general acceptance that the trade is suffering from overproduction, and that nothing less than a small-sized cataclysm can be expected to right it. Whether these gentlemen went home feeling any better than they did when they came we do not know, but there is reason to hope they did.

We presume that on this, as on other subjects connected with the stove business, one man's opinion is almost as good as another's. One man's opinion on the relation of production to consumption may be more reasonable than another's, but we lack the data to prove the one or disprove the other. To know whether or not there can be said to be an overproduction of stoves, we must know what is the normal statistical relation between demand and supply. If we try to reason this out, we are likely to reach surprising, and, in fact, incredible, conclusions. For example, the population of the United States may be assumed to be 55,000,000 people. This will certainly be admitted to represent 10,000,000 of families, as there are probably more families to the total population than would be represented by the ratio of one to five. Ten millions of families may therefore be assumed with safety. To each family we may allow two stoves—a cook and a heater. This average is arbitrarily assumed, but it does not seem excessive. Most families using stoves at all have more than two, and all have one. Now, let us assume that there is no original demand to supply, and that the trade for this year will be limited to the actual consumptive demand for renewals. What should it amount to statistically? There is some uncertainty as to what figure should be taken to represent the average life of a stove. Some classes of stoves undoubtedly last longer than others, but if all are taken together, the average cannot exceed ten years. Following this calculation, we find that one in ten of the 20,000,000 stoves in use, or 2,000,000 stoves, will this year be needed by consumers to actually replace those worn out in service.

Two millions of stoves for replacement alone seems to be a large total, but it would be difficult to find serious fault with the items of our estimate. Ten years is an excessive estimate of the average life of stoves, and an annual demand for 2,000,000 for replacement is apparently within the truth. Let us cut it down, however, and accept 1,750,000 stoves as a fair estimate of the consumptive demand for replacement alone.

Now, what allowance shall be made for an original consumers' demand? The annual increase of our population is, say, 3 per cent. But an original demand comes from other sources than the increase of population. The subdivision of families is of more importance, as affecting the consumptive demand for stoves, than births and immigration together. Every two persons married found a new family with original wants, and this subdivision does not, as the rule, diminish the consumptive requirements of the two previously existing families from which they have separated. Actual increase and immigration also count for something. We do not know just how much they do count for, but it is safe to assume that it is enough to restore our estimate of actual consumption to the total of 2,000,000 stoves of all kinds. We think no statistician in the trade will find cause to quarrel with these figures, and we doubt very much if any one could figure up the foundry capacity of the country to equal a production of 2,000,000 stoves. The largest figure we have ever heard as the result of actual calculation places the net capacity of our foundries at about 1,750,000 stoves, and several well-informed stove men who have figured on this question have affirmed that 1,250,000 would come much nearer the truth. Now, all this may be very misleading, but it would be difficult to show in what way our calculation is seriously at fault. Our figures would seem to indicate that the production of stoves this year is likely to be from 250,000 to 750,000 short of the actual consumptive demand. Probably this will not be found to be the case, but unless our estimate of production is far below the truth, we should not do violence to the probabilities in assuming that there will be no serious disproportion between production and consumption.

That trade thus far this year has been unsatisfactory is due to various causes, some evident and some difficult of explanation. The unsettlement of general trade resulting from the revision of the tariff and the change of rates to take effect July 1 have had a good deal to do with it. So many interests were unfavorably affected, especially those con-

suming iron and steel, that people became apprehensive, and a general expression of distrust created a general feeling of uneasiness. All branches of trade in some degree sympathize with each other, and what affects one affects all to a greater or less extent. Again, the unseasonably cold weather of the early summer was unfavorable to trade, and discouraged purchases which might otherwise have been made. People generally continued their kitchen arrangements on the winter basis until warm weather came, and then the oil or vapor stove helped to tide them over another season. To this extent, and probably no more, has the spring trade in coal and wood stoves been affected by the admitted large sales of vapor and oil stoves. This class of goods supplements, but nowhere supersedes, the other class. A housewife will buy a cook stove and an oil stove, but never an oil stove instead of a cook stove, with a view to dispensing with the latter. Oil and vapor stoves are distinctively summer goods, and we see no reason to expect that they will ever seriously affect the coal and wood stove trade, unless by extending more or less the life of cast-iron goods by the reduced wear and tear resulting from summer disuse.

But what of the fall trade? As we said at the outset, a majority of the gentlemen who assembled at Niagara this week seemed to have very little hope for the future, while a few were confident that the volume of trade would be large and prices well maintained, unless weak-kneed manufacturers become demoralized before the season of distribution has fairly begun, and slaughter their stocks through fear of inability to sell or carry them. So far as we can see, this is the only serious danger which menaces the trade. In other respects the outlook is far from discouraging. After July 1st business men will realize that the effects of tariff changes have already been discounted, and confidence in the stability of values will revive. The promise of the crops is full of encouragement, and it is somewhat late to expect any serious damage to them from any cause. In most lines of trade dealers throughout the country are carrying light stocks, and look forward to a liberal replenishment in anticipation of the fall and winter distribution. The working classes are all employed at good wages, the agricultural classes are prosperous, and everything seems to favor a normal consumption of all classes of merchandise. The large number of failures reported from week to week will be apt to discourage speculation and make all classes of merchants cautious and conservative. The present mortality among weak concerns only illustrates the law of the survival of the fittest, and does not show an unsound condition in general business.

So far as the stove trade is concerned, we do not see any reasons why it should not be good, and none have been presented by those who have prophesied evil which seem to satisfactorily explain their fears. The statistical position of the stove trade is by no means discouraging. According to the best data obtainable—data accepted by the best informed manufacturers as approximating the truth—the situation is not such as to warrant a discouraged feeling. As compared with last year, sales from foundry up to June 15 show a decrease of 7½ per cent. The stocks in makers' hands will probably average 12½ per cent. greater than at this time last year. They would have been much heavier than they are if interruptions from one cause or another had not kept production fully 5 per cent. below that for the corresponding period of last year. So far as dealers are concerned, it is probable that the stocks they are carrying are no greater than at this time last year, and some estimate them less. These are not our own estimates, but we are willing to accept them as probably as near the truth as any we can get. In tabulation it is a rule among statisticians to substitute 5 for any numeral concerning which they are uncertain. When the figure may be 1 or 9, 5 is as near the fact as one can get by guessing. Perhaps these percentages are calculated with a liberal use of fives for uncertain figures, but, however this may be, they are as nearly authoritative as anything we have. On the whole, they cannot be said to be discouraging. We have seen the stove trade in a great deal worse condition than it is to-day, and the manufacturer who may be tempted to sell his goods at a loss for fear of not selling them at all, had better think twice before he thus deliberately blights a season which now gives promise of being fairly satisfactory. Up to this time prices have been very well maintained. It is to the interest of dealers, as well as manufacturers, that they be kept where they are. In a time of demoralization, when prices have no basis, there is no money in the business for anybody.

Some interesting particulars as to the wage payments and earnings of the companies engaged in the iron and steel trades of Germany have just been issued by the German Iron and Steel Manufacturers' Association. Schedules were sent to different German iron and steel works, foundries and engineering works, and, from the answers returned by 325 firms from all parts of the empire, it appears that these firms employed in January, 1879, 153,979 laborers, with 9,383,396 marks (about \$2,233,248) monthly wages, as against 206,150 laborers, with 14,754,350 marks (\$3,511,535) monthly wages, in January, 1883. In January, 1879, the monthly wages of a laborer was 60 m. 94 p. (about \$14.50), this amount having increased in January, 1883, to 71 m. 57 p. (\$17.03).

#### The National Exposition of Railway Appliances.

Few people who have read the newspaper reports of the Chicago Exposition have very accurate ideas of what it really was, or what its relative merits were. In some quarters a very general impression prevails that it was rather a cheap affair, and only an excuse for bringing together certain things and making the whole scheme merely an advertising dodge. Others have spoken well of it, but with so much of laudation that people have come to the conclusion that it was newspaper buncombe rather than dispassionate judgment. A casual visit, however, showed that the exposition was one which not only deserved the name of "national," but "international" as well. Everything connected with railway matters was illustrated, and the illustrations were representative. Whether it was locomotives, steam cranes, cars, car wheels, frogs and switches, tools, or paints and varnishes, the exhibit was of a character creditable alike to the exposition and the manufacturers, and it is a notable fact that all the leading manufacturers in the country were represented in all departments. The character of their exhibits would strike the most casual observer as being entirely different from that usually put up for display at the annual fairs of the various cities where such fairs are held. The machinery was costly and the lines exceedingly complete. Another feature which, to say the least, was unusual, was that with almost every exhibit was found not simply a showman hired for the occasion, but some member of the firm or leading man of the establishment ready to display the goods or explain the operation of the tools, and, as the phrase goes, to "talk business," if such a thing should be necessary. Although the attendance of the general public was not particularly large, yet we doubt whether any exhibition ever had an attendance which was more valuable to exhibitors. The Master Car Builders, Mechanical Engineers, the Civil Engineers and the Master Mechanics in turn visited the exposition almost in a body, so that those to whom it was of the greatest advantage have seen the exposition, and the exhibitors have had an attendance that has been of the greatest value to them.

In the department which might almost be termed that of "Antiquities," the exhibition was surpassingly interesting, and here the railroad man could spend hours profitably studying the growth of locomotive engines. Most people are familiar with these old relics by means of photographs and engravings, there being very few which have not been more or less before the public in this form. Yet the visitor, standing face to face with these old relics for the first time, even though he may be perfectly familiar with their photographs, was struck by a certain novelty about them which is somewhat difficult of explanation. The wooden pins, the worn brasses, the queer, odd shapes of the details, the realism of the rude blacksmith work, the strange, patched-up smoke-stacks, or the quaint, plain finish of the passenger cars, were exceedingly striking, and could not be conveyed by an ordinary photograph nor by any description. That such old machines are still in running order after so many years' abuse, and dating back, as they do, to the very beginning of railway building, is a strange commentary on the rapidity with which the railroads of the country have developed.

One of the notable features distinguishing this from any other great exhibition which has been held in this country was the brilliancy at night. Since the Centennial immense strides have been made in electric lighting, and as the electric-light companies were in great force, lights were everywhere, large and small, arc lights and incandescent, and the scene was in consequence far brighter than would be possible with any method of gas-lighting. The Edison and Weston exhibits were a perfect blaze of light, and they illuminated the space all about them, not quite, perhaps, as brilliantly as daylight, but certainly far above the brightest moonlight. Are lights all over the buildings made every corner bright. Around the gallery, a distance of nearly two-thirds of a mile, a track had been laid, and an electric motor drew a car, which at every trip was packed with sightseers. It was from this point that one got the best idea of the magnitude and completeness of the exhibition. Many of the exhibits, like those of the electric-light companies, the windmill and water-tank people, were very striking, as were also those of the paint and varnish men. As usual, the machinery in motion attracted a crowd of people, most of whom were sightseers, but elsewhere there was a conspicuous absence of crowding. In one respect the exhibition differed materially from that of the Centennial. Most of the exhibits were open, and the visitor was at liberty to walk in and examine. Viewed from above, one saw in almost every space some one or two persons intently examining details of machinery or methods of operation. This feature was a remarkable one, and showed how many persons practically familiar with the different branches were inspecting exhibits thoroughly and with a purpose. Even about the steam shovel, which was one of the most striking exhibits in the yard, one would find in the crowd which gathered around it when in operation a large number of men who were viewing it with a critical eye, and not as a wonderful exhibition of the triumph of man over matter. The speed with which it went through the motions of swinging into the bank, taking up a shovelful of gravel, raising the bucket, turning it to the car on the side track and dumping it, was something that even those who were familiar with such machines could not fail to admire. In the departments devoted to iron and ironworking there were numerous exhibits of special interest, not only to the practical ironworker, but also to the thinking man. Special shapes and sizes were to be found everywhere. Forms which once were too complicated or too large to be found in the market were here exhibited as part of the regular work of different iron and steel companies. The mechanical engineer looked these over with the greatest interest, and speculated on the advantages which would be brought about

in construction when a few steps more had been taken and these larger plates and bars should come into the market in common competition with built-up work of a similar size.

#### The Exhibits.

The Otis Steel Works had two plates on exhibition that were worth the visit r's attention. One of them was ¼ inch thick by 72 inches wide and 372 inches in length; the other ¾ inch thick, 56 inches wide and 625 inches long. They also exhibited a boiler 72 inches in diameter, in which the bottom plate is of a single sheet of steel measuring from side to side across the top 70 inches. The length of the sheet is 21 feet and 5 inches. The boiler is one of six which they are building for their own works. All three of the sheets were apparently as perfect as those of more ordinary sizes. They had also a steel boiler front made in one of the Government shops, with three flanged openings for furnace doors and a flange all around the top and sides. It contains four large and four small hand-holes, in addition, and is as perfect a piece of flanging as one could wish to see, the thickness having, so far as we could measure it, been preserved throughout.

The North Chicago Rolling mill Co. had a standard 120-foot steel rail, 65 pounds to the yard. The card upon it said, in effect, that the time of making it into a finished rail ready for shipping was one hour and 30 minutes. The same works also exhibited 60 and 90 foot rails.

#### HORSE, STREAM AND CABLE CARS.

The Central Support Car Truck Co., St. Louis, Mo., exhibited a three-truck car. These three-truck cars, with a truck of the ordinary pattern, they have the central truck carried on eight friction rollers. The transom moves with the truck, and is not fastened to the body. The capacity of the car is 70,000 pounds; length, 33 feet, and weight, 32,300 pounds. The car body is heavier than the standard by two tons, the weight of the extra truck. Otherwise it is the standard car and truck of the Missouri Pacific Railroad. The truck deserves mention for one feature that is frequently omitted in a truck with wooden transoms—that is, the timber is so arranged that shrinkage can be allowed for, and, by screwing up the nuts, the timbers can be made firm, even after a considerable shrinkage in the timber.

J. C. Brill & Co., Philadelphia, exhibited a "parlor" horse-car of rather unique construction. It belongs to the bobtail variety in its short body, and being intended to run in one direction only. At the back of the platform there is a compartment capable of seating six or seven persons. The whole car seats 22. It is entirely inclosed. The small compartment is the smoking-room. The roof extends clear over the back platform. Edwin Chesterman is the inventor. There was also shown a street car with a central aisle and cross seats arranged like those of an excursion car, but with blinds and windows arranged to fold up into the roof. The firm also had several very handsome passenger cars on exhibition.

The Chicago City Railway Co.'s exhibit of their cable cars was very complete. Twenty miles of this system of road were built in 1881. A section of the tube for carrying the rope was shown, with rails, car, grip and rope all in position and in working order. The engineer, in looking the exhibit over, could find but one serious defect, and that was in the grip, which is so arranged that in stopping or starting the car there is considerable friction and wear on the rope itself. The wheels, like those of the Chicago cars generally, are protected by a guard coming within a few inches of the surface of the road, intended to prevent people from falling beneath the wheels.

In dining-room cars the most notable was one by the Harlan & Hollingsworth Co., of Wilmington, Del., fitted up in elegant style, and lighted with great brilliancy with 10 lamps in the dining saloon itself. The car is for the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad. There was also, in addition, a standard parlor car of the same road's exhibit, which has been in use for five years, and looks as bright both inside and out as a new car.

The Pullman Palace Car Co. exhibited a dining-room car fitted up in rather plain style than the one we have just noticed, but in the matter of upholstery, seats, &c., arranged in an exceedingly neat and comfortable way. The service of plate and china-ware is of an entirely different character from that of the Harlan & Hollingsworth car. Indeed, both of the cars are furnished in a style which makes one long for hotel cars generally in place of the railroad restaurants, with their "five minutes for refreshments."

#### THE OLD CURIOSITY SHOP.

In the matter of old engines the exhibition was unique. The "No. 1" engine, by Stephenson, built at Newcastle-on-Tyne, was accompanied by what was apparently an original carriage. The wooden brake blocks were worked by a lever similar to those found on our four-wheel coal cars of the present day. The woodwork, though well preserved in the main, shows signs of decay between the boards and at the corners. The engine itself, with its quaint old tender, the tank of which is rusted out near the bottom, was certainly one of the most curious pieces of engineering in the exhibit. There are two vertical cylinders 10 inches in diameter and 24 inches stroke, one over each pair of driving-wheels. A cross-head at the top extends the full width of the engine. A very complicated piece of framework and parallel-motion levers is placed between the cylinders on the top of the boiler for the purpose of keeping the piston-rods in line and working the valves. The wheels are composed of two sections, an outer one and an inner. These two are held together by a series of wooden plugs going through from side to side, with an iron head over most of them. The parallel rod is carried by a return crank on the trailing-wheel on the left-hand side, and on the leading-wheel on the right-hand side. The piping is of cast iron, while the boiler is of wrought iron with a cylindrical shell, and forms the frame of the engine, large brackets being bolted on over each of the driving axles to carry the journal boxes. Both heads have a seam across them, the plates apparently not being large enough to make the whole head. The safety-valve is 14 inch with a weight. The engineer evidently stood

on the left-hand side of the engine to maneuver it, and had two plain hooks connected with the eccentric. The valves were also controlled by hand levers. The smoke-stack has a quarter turn where it leaves the boiler, which is the most extraordinary piece of plate bending and patching that we ever saw. This engine is remarkable for the fact that there is very little apparent modern patching about it. Many of the other old engines on exhibition show that new parts have been added to replace those which have been destroyed by neglect or hard usage.

One of the most interesting exhibits, which, however, lacks many of the features necessary for its working, was from the Killingworth Colliery—an old engine whose general features are something like those of the Stephenson engine. Its date is 1813. It is without its wheels, and there is little of its running gear left. From what could be seen, however, it appeared to be quite similar in design to the Stephenson engine, though the boiler is considerably more ship-shape, and is covered with a jacket which seems to be of a much later date. The wheels of the tender are on square axles, and the wheels themselves have a large round hole through which the axle goes, and is held fast in place by wooden wedges. The boiler has a single flue, and in this case the rear head, at least, is made of a single sheet, with numerous stay-bolts over the fire-door. There is a small whistle on the engine, and portions of the valve-gear remain. The connecting-rods and all the work by which the wheels were driven have disappeared, together with the running gear, the boiler being about all that is left of the old engine.

To Americans, one of the most interesting things in the grounds in the way of a curiosity was a boiler, which is all that remains of the old "Stourbridge Lion," the first locomotive which was regularly run in this country. It came from the Delaware & Hudson Canal Co., of Carbondale, Pa. There is literally nothing left of the engine but the boiler and the first 12 inches of the smoke-stack. The boiler is made up of three rings, with apparently four sheets in each. An angle iron is bolted on to the end, to make the head fast to, and the head is put in position and bolted fast. The head itself is riveted to a ring which carries the bolts. In this way there are three thicknesses in the flange. The flue or fire-box is 27 inches in diameter, and runs backward for the length of a sheet, where it divides into two flues, ending in a common back connection having a hemispherical end, and from this the gases pass through a short vertical tube into the smoke-stack. The flue is put in by a sort of angle-iron flange, apparently worked out by hand from a single sheet. The flue itself is made from four sheets, and, like all the rest of the work, is single riveted. The iron seems to be about ¾ inch in thickness in the flue, and nearly 1½ in some of the flanged work. There is an oval manhole on the top of the boiler, with a ring, perhaps 2 inches wide, riveted fast inside. Flues inside the boiler are in fair condition, considering their age, although badly fitted in a few cases. The front head is made by flanging the sheets inward and putting a convex head upon them. This, it will be remembered, is the boiler of the engine which Horatio Allen ran for the first time at Honesdale, the story of which has been made familiar to almost every mechanical man in the country.

The next engine that attracted the attention of the visitor, though perhaps not in chronological order, was a six-coupled machine with vertical cylinders, built by Timothy Hackworth, New Shildon, Durham, August, 1838. In this case, as in the Stephenson engine, the wheels are made in three pieces, consisting of the tire, outside rim and a center plate. The rim and center plate are connected by round wooden plugs, into which wedges have been driven to hold them fast, and these were originally covered by caps of metal. Most of these caps, however, are missing. The connecting-rods work directly on the forward crank-pins. The piston is kept in line by a parallel motion, in which a horizontal guide is used on one side. The connecting-rods show signs of long and severe service, and the strap ends, though having in general design a modern look, are very rude in construction. The keys are held in place by a most original device. They are split lengthwise parallel with the axis of the rod, and an iron wedge driven up into them makes all fast. Originally the brasses seem to have been partly covered up by a knob of iron screwed on the projecting stud. The outer pins on the middle wheel are spherical, while the inner ones are cylindrical. The end of the connecting-rod is recessed in what seems to be a very modern fashion. The center wheels were originally without flange, but the groove cut by long service is excessive, and now all three wheels might at first sight be supposed to have a flange on both sides. This old engine, the "Samson," was exhibited by the Intercolonial Railway of Canada, and is the property of the Halifax Coal Co., operating the Albin coal mines, Pictou County, Nova Scotia. The engine was in active service on the company's road up to August, 1882. Mr. George Davidson, the "old driver," worked on its construction in England, and until it was laid aside. The company, in their memorandum in regard to it, say: "Both engine and driver are capable of further service." The passenger car which accompanies it looks like a rectangular coach. It was built in Nova Scotia a few years after the engine came there, and is after an English model. It was built for officials, and has carried the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Edinburgh, the Marquis of Normandy, Lord Falkland, Lord Dufferin and others, besides naval and military officers of high rank. It has been painted and varnished until the coating is too heavy to be of any particular value, since it is spotted, cracked and scaled off in all directions. Like the old engine from the Killingworth Colliery, it has wheels held in place on a square hub by wedges, the axles being octagonal. The same is true of the tender of the "Samson." The engine axles, however, were forged up round. The old coach was upholstered inside very much in the fashion of the plainest kind of stage coaches of its day. During its visit it seems to have had an acci-



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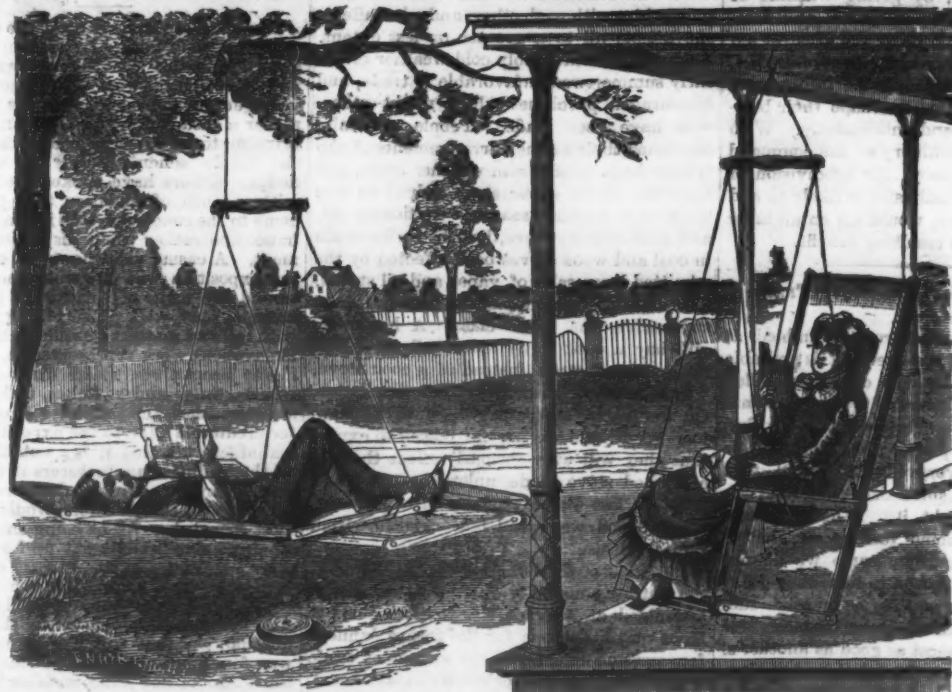
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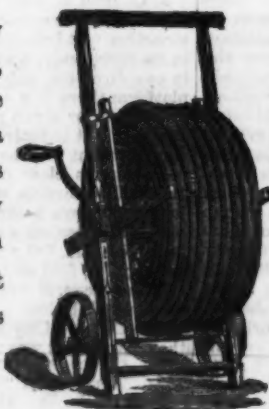
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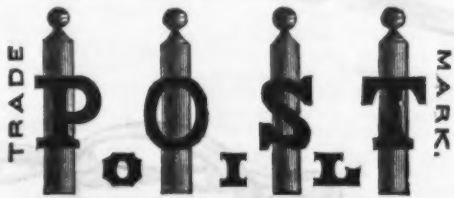
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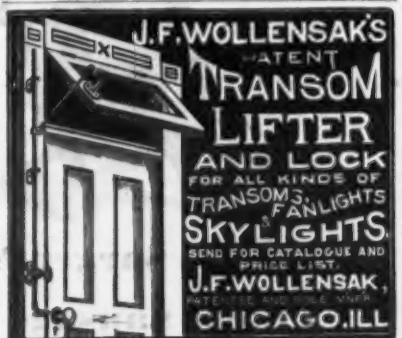


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dent, and, as the stage drivers say, been "poled," a section of the paneling at the back having been broken out by some means. The sills project before and behind in such a way as to form buffers. A part of this exhibit sat on some of the "fish belly" rails of the early days.

The "John Bull," built in 1831, which a large number of our readers no doubt saw at the Centennial Exposition, was again shown to the public. This engine much more nearly approaches the modern machine in its general features than any we have mentioned. The huge vertical dome at the rear and the horizontal cylinders in the smoke-box were steps looking to the modern machine. Although it has apparently four drivers and a truck, the large wheels are not connected with each other, and the truck, which is hinged to the leading-wheels, is really little more than a cowcatcher, and could have comparatively little effect in guiding the engine. Its valve-gear, however, consists of a series of hooks, and the modern engineer looks in consternation upon such a complicated system of levers, and wonders how it was possible to handle those machines in front of a train, light though they were. In speaking of valve motions we must not omit the exceedingly complicated affair of the Hackworth engine, which, though comparatively modern in execution, is really the most complicated of any we have seen. Time and patience would fail both our readers and ourselves were we to attempt to describe the way in which eccentrics, eccentric-rods, gib-hooks and pins were manipulated to drive the engine and reverse its motion.

That these old engines are still capable of movement certainly seems to the younger generation incredible, and it was curious to watch the expression of the faces of the young men from the shops as they walked around these machines and studied their curious details; relics 3000 years old would scarcely create greater astonishment or arouse more curiosity.

The "Pioneer," C. & N. W. R. R., was built by M. W. Baldwin, June, 1836, for the Utica and Schenectady Railroad, and was afterward bought by the Galena and Chicago Union Railroad. It was said to be the first engine owned by that road, and probably the first used on a Western road. It was in service for 35 years. This engine, with its 11 x 18 cylinders and single drivers, shows that the leading feature of the modern American engine had then assumed definite form. Most of the characteristics to be found in our locomotives are traceable here. The single frame forward and double at the rear, and the swiveling track and two eccentrics were also used. The engine was, however, inside connected, and the eccentrics were outside of everything. A pair of V-hooks were used, with a rock-shaft to move the valve-stem. The fire-box was still formed with a hemispherical cross section, and the rear end of the boiler made into a dome. The engine, however, was in such a shape as to be a vast improvement on everything which had gone before it, and, considering the time, was an exceedingly good piece of workmanship. The "champion" already described, was provided with large iron baskets, which were hung at the forward end, and were used for a very peculiar purpose. The feed pipes project both forward and back of the boiler, and were very much exposed. These baskets were filled with coals and kept the pipes from freezing in cold weather. In contrast to their latest production, the old car exhibited by the Harlan & Hollingsworth Co. was another curiosity in the car line, which, in some respects, is quite as remarkable as that from the Intercolonial Railway. It has a flat roof about 6 feet 5 inches high at the center and 6 feet at the sides. Each seat has a window, which, however, is closed by a sliding wooden panel. Between the seats, coming opposite the seat back, is a glass panel 7 1/2 inches wide by 24 inches long. The general style of the seat, which is in upholstered leather, is surprisingly like those of the present day, the form of the seat arm and seat iron and the reversing seat-back being all very similar to that in common use. The car is built with a truss plank, and has a "ventilator," consisting of a single 6-inch hole and funnel in the cylinder. There are no panels between the windows, the glass and solid windows being separated only by posts. Apparently there were inside blinds used at one time, but these have all disappeared. The truck has a swing motion through a little 6 inch swing bolster, on which are mounted two rubber springs. There are also rubber springs over each of the journals. The pedestals are somewhat like those now in use, but have no opening through them lengthwise. The car is framed on the cross system, and has two sills. It was built by the Harlan & Hollingsworth Co., for the Tioga Railroad Co., in 1840, and has been in service from that date to the present. The company borrowed it to show the style of first-class passenger cars which they built at that period, and as a contrast to the first-class parlor cars which they had on exhibition.

All the feed motions of the machine are automatic. The post is revolved by a spanner taking hold of a head on a small spur gear. The other motions of the machine are made by cranks in the usual way. The table of this machine is a stationary one, with a horizontal and vertical slot. The bed-plate is prolonged on one side and slotted to receive work. The arm of the tool revolves by worm gear, and is raised and lowered by means of a screw. This machine has bored 137 wheels under favorable circumstances in 10 hours with the aid of one man. It is guaranteed to bore 60 to 80 5-inch holes a day. It has a 6-foot arm, will drill a 6-inch hole and has a radius of 6 feet from the center. The driving gear has eight changes of speed by cones and back gear, and, in addition, is geared up by bevel-wheels. The drill carriage travels upon the traverses upon the arm by rack and pinion. The drill spindle has 21 inches traverse, is counter-weighted and has quick return. The center acts at all angles of the arm. The connection of the counterweight is made by a brass band. The feed gear has six changes, which can be varied while drilling. The drill has a traverse of 4 feet on the arm. Each degree of feed is indicated on the index; will bore a 3-inch hole out of the solid and up to 20 inches. The bed-plate, which is truly planed and slotted, has a central hole to receive bushings for boring. A pit for large and heavy work can be constructed at the side of the machine when it is desirable to do so. The largest sizes have 3 1/2-foot arm. In the larger sizes of the machine the column can be revolved by power, and the drill spindle has its quick return, operated by power and the arm can be raised and lowered by power. The column itself is rectangular in shape, but open in front. The back side from the base to the top is of parabolic form.

The Pratt & Whitney Co., Hartford, had a large number of fine tools on exhibition, among them a 10-inch planer, 3 1/2-foot bed; 20-inch planer, 6-foot bed; 24-inch planer, 6-foot bed; 34-inch planer, 10-foot bed, and a 40-inch planer, 12-foot bed, all of modern construction and extra heavy. The 40-inch planer has a double head and automatic tool-lifting device, and the 30-inch planer also has automatic tool-lifting device. The cross-head is raised and lowered by power for the larger sizes. They also have 14-inch and 10-inch crank shapers with centers, vise and complete automatic feeds, as well as a 10-inch pillar shaper, and lathes from 13 inches to 27 inches swing, all fitted with the firm's attachment for boring and turning taper work, and are back-gear for screw cutting. All the different sizes are fitted with cross-feed except the 15-inch. There were two gap lathes, one a 27-inch and one a 48-inch, having compound tool-rests. In chucking machines for flat drill work, there were two, one a 52 and the other a 28-inch, fitted with quick return for foot blocks and spindle. A No. 3 screw-cutting machine, fitted up for making 1/4-inch steel set screws, a No. 2 screwing and shaving machine for finishing the heads, and No. 1 and No. 2 three-power milling machines were shown, the former having elevating centers, vise and arm complete. There were several sizes of hand lathes and cutting-off machines, and two sizes of upright drills with worm and hand-wheel feed, and an upright drill, back geared, with automatic feed and quick return for drilling index-wheels; five-spindle nut-tapping machine for tapping five 1-inch nuts at once; No. 3 and 4 turret-head bolt cutters, cutter grinder, with all attachments for grinding spirals, straight and taper reamers, millers or cutters. A belt-heading machine for blacksmith and forge work was also shown, and a "Champion" drill for manufacturing purposes with lever feed. This is a very convenient drill tool. There was also shown a complete list line of United States standard taps, dies and die stocks, hand and machine taps, from 1/4 to 3 1/2 inches in diameter, together with taper reamers for locomotive work; cylindrical size gauges from 1/4 to 2 inches by 16ths and 2 1/4 to 3 inches by 8ths; full sets of United States standard threading gauges from 1/4 inch to 2 inches, hardened and not ground and hardened and ground, and a set of rough iron gauges of the car builders' standard. They also had "limit" gauges for round iron drop, forged for the Master Car Builders' standard as suggested by the late Howard Fry. This gives the least allowable variation which rolling mills can work to without increasing the cost of rolling the iron and producing United States standard threads when cut in any bolt cutter. Also drop forged gauges for shop work. End measures were also shown hardened and ground. All tools on exhibition were in operation with one or two exceptions.

There was one article on exhibition which, though very familiar to all our Eastern readers, both from descriptions and by practical use, seems to have struck many of our Western friends as a decided novelty. This was the Stow flexible shaft and its numerous applications. The shaft itself, since its first appearance half a dozen years ago, has been greatly improved, and its cost, durability, &c., are now put on a par with other drilling tools. The shaft exhibited at the exposition was driving a 2-inch drill through a rawhide rope, 130 feet in length, carried over six idlers to reach the point where the drill was in use. In many of the Western shops, where large machinery is built with comparatively small tools, this shaft ought to be more useful and popular even than it is East. Its ability to turn corners, to do work in cramped situations and to be generally indifferent to the sharpest angles, are recommendations which machinists will be quick to see.

W. D. Wood & Co., McKeesport, Pa., had an exhibit of planished iron which, so far as an outsider could judge, was quite as handsome as any genuine Russian iron in the market. Pipes, collars, elbows and a small boiler casing were shown.

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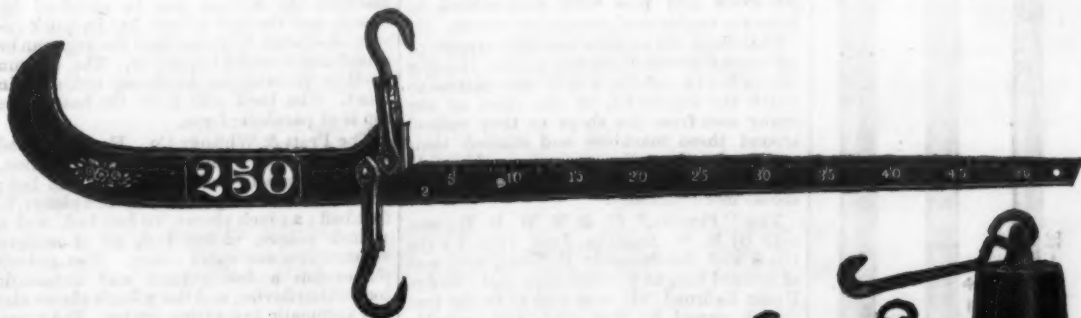
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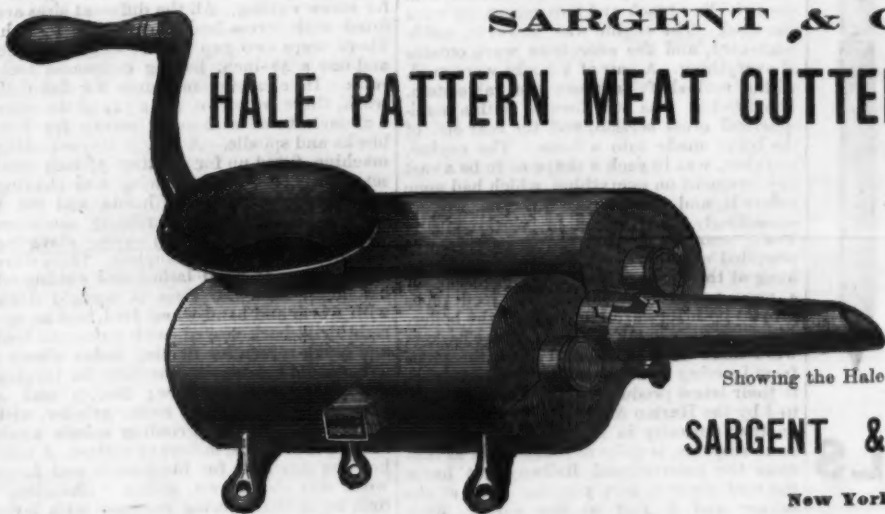
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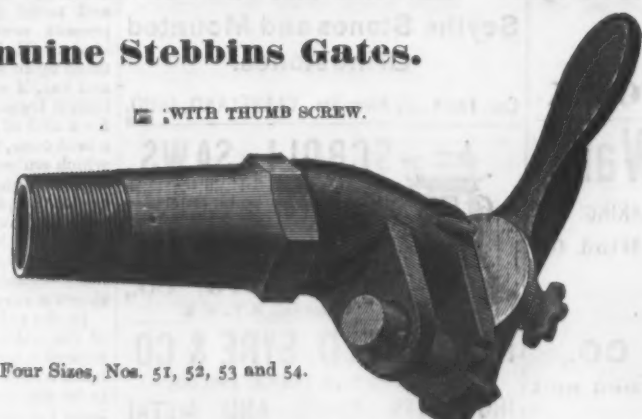
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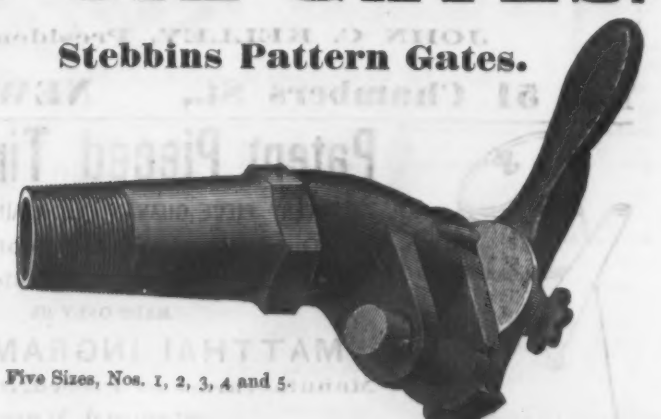
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iron to the completed wheel ready for service on the road. They had samples of all sizes of finished wheels, from 26 to 42 inches in diameter, as well as finished wheels which had been cut in sections to show the construction.

G. D. Walcott & Son, Jackson, Mich., showed a shaping machine in which several very desirable improvements have been made, notably in the way of increasing the width of the slides, by which the leverage of the tool is diminished and the stiffness increased. An increase has also been made in the length of the vertical slides, which greatly diminishes the leverage.

The Vulcan Iron Works, of Chicago, showed a very neat machine for pile-driving, operated in the same way as a steam hammer, but set in guides like an ordinary hammer head. It is arranged so as to have steam connection from a boiler carried to the cylinder by a flexible hose. A tackle from the top of the machine is used for raising or lowering it. Its operation is very rapid, the blows coming much quicker than is possible when using an ordinary drop, and herein the advantage of the apparatus is apparent. Although it is necessary to have a steam engine to hoist piles and put them in position, yet the slowness of the drop makes it desirable to use some other means than a hoisting engine for striking the blow. By adjusting the relief valve a heavy blow up to the full capacity can be struck regularly and continuously. By proper management of this valve any kind of pile can be used, hard or soft, and driven to any depth without injuring the pile head. Five-ply steam hose is used to carry steam to the hammer. It is said that as many as 100 piles have been driven in a single day with this apparatus.

Wilbraham Bros., of Philadelphia, had an exhibit of very considerable interest, especially to contractors and others who have large quantities of water to handle. It was a pump with engine attached which is capable of delivering 50,000 gallons of water per hour. The small space which it occupies and its comparatively light weight make it a very valuable machine in those situations where large quantities of water have to be contained with—as in making excavations, draining quarries, irrigating and other similar work.

#### RAWHIDE BELTS.

The Chicago Rawhide Mfg. Co. are manufacturing rawhide belts from the widest that may be necessary down to the narrowest. In the Exposition Building there were a great number of belts running, the widest of which was 26 inches, and taking power from the engine which drove the Brush lights in the building. This belt has been in use for three years, and is apparently in first-class condition at the present time. In addition to flat belts, the company are making a line of rawhide ropes twisted in the same manner as a hemp rope. The larger ropes—that is, above the smallest size of twisted rope—are 3/4, and they are made up to any diameter that may be desired. Below that the round ropes are made in the same manner as round and leather belting, being a single strand or though of leather twisted up into circular shape. These are made down to 3/4 inch in diameter. Lace leather is also made by the same process in all widths and lengths. The sides measure from 8 to 24 feet, and are of all grades of thickness. The entire freedom from hard spots is one of the points which the manufacturers urge as a great advantage of their product. The leather is cured under Krueger's patent, and retains its life and strength in a remarkable manner. It is not tanned, and closely resembles ordinary rawhide. Moisture seems to have very little effect upon it after being cured in this way. Some of those who have used the belts make extraordinary statements in regard to the running of the belts in damp situations and places that are exposed to both heat and damp at the same time. From these statements we suppose that the belts are exceedingly indifferent to either heat or moisture. It would seem that these ropes ought to make the very best driving gear for electric lights and other machinery where a considerable power must be transmitted with the least possible slip. In the exposition a very long line of round belting was running driving a flexible shaft. The rope ran over six idlers, and was at least 130 feet in length, and showed, after four weeks' running, no perceptible signs of wear. The rope is quite as flexible as the softest rope made. Indeed, 1 1/2-inch rope bends much more readily than the best hemp. For round rope the hide is cut in a circle, and the company get about 800 feet of 3/4-inch belting from an ordinary hide.

#### WOOD-DRYING APPARATUS.

The Noyes patent wood-drying apparatus on exhibition produced some of the most remarkable results which can be imagined in the treatment of wood. One of the most striking exhibits was a 1/2-inch mahogany board, 21 inches wide and 18 or 20 feet long, which had been dried in about six or eight hours, and was as straight and free from warp as possible. A similar board from the same log of the same size and thickness put through a dry house was warped and sprung in all directions, though about as fair as a board of its size and thickness is usually found. Gum, cypress, spruce and several other Western woods which warp badly were on exhibition perfectly dry, smooth and straight. Even wood that had dried naturally and curled into an angle of 90° in a length of 6 feet had been straightened and laid flat. The general principle of the process is to lay the boards between plates kept at a high heat by coils of steam pipes passing through them, and then subject the whole pile to hydraulic pressure of about two tons per square foot. The moisture is converted into steam and escapes from the pile, while the pressure holds the wood flat and prevents warping.

#### WIRE ROPE, SHOVELS, TOOL-STEEL.

Geo. B. Carpenter & Co., of Chicago, had an exhibit of wire rope, cables and flat wire rope of all sizes and descriptions. Mr. Carpenter had a representative exhibit of John A. Roebling & Sons wire rope. Among other interesting features of the exhibit were sections of the East River Bridge cables, the Corvinton and Cincinnati Bridge cables, and the Niagara Falls cables. Both steel and iron wire were shown in great variety. Large

wires are in quarter and the smaller in half mile bundles.

Hussey, Binns & Co., Pittsburgh, had a display of shovels made by their patent process which show an extraordinary strength and quality. The blanks are cast in a mold, which leaves the shank split with the blank 3 inches at the point by 4 at the top, about 4 inches long and one inch thick. This blank does not require any welding, and is forged down to proper shape in the usual manner. The same form of blank is used for railroad scoops and for a variety of similar work. A casting in a solid piece of steel good enough to take a cutting edge obviates the necessity for welding the pieces upon the lip of the shovel. The tests of these goods show that they have an extraordinary strength and stiffness.

Hussey, Howe & Co., Pittsburgh, in the same pavilion, had an exhibit of crucible tool steel of all sizes and shapes. They also had some very interesting and difficult samples of flanging on crucible steel plates, and a number of plates of open-hearth steel exhibiting very difficult flanging work.

#### OLD DRAWINGS AND PHOTOGRAPHS.

One of the most interesting portions of the exhibit relating to the early history of locomotives was a collection of old drawings. These embraced most of the early engines which were run on the roads of this country, and included the "Best Friend," "West Point," "Experiment," and many others whose names are not so well known. Many of these drawings are recent sketches by David Matthews, of San Francisco, and others are originals or copies made in early days from the original drawings of these engines. The "Robert Fulton," for example, a four-wheel engine with four drivers, from the date seems to have been made about 1852. Several of them, however, are made from the original engines when they first came out, notably one of the "West Point," showing the first cover or cab which was put on. This was apparently built with a curtain in front. There was a sketch of a double bow-gate or double-truck engine called the "Horatio Allen," built in 1831 or 1832 at the West Point Foundry shops, New York. One of the most remarkable, if not the oldest, engines is the "Essex," which was shown in a drawing copied from one made by her first engineer, Cyrus R. Woolson. Like all of Boyden's work, it shows remarkably good engineering and mechanical ability. The valve motion is most peculiar, and, for the time, showed remarkable simplicity. The engine had a truck and a single driver, with a tender whose tank approximated the modern fashion.

There was a photograph of an exceedingly interesting drawing which showed the earliest form of equalizing lever which we have seen. The drawing is dated 1835, and the truck is equalized with the forward driver by a lever carried above the frame. There was also a photograph from a drawing of the first eight-wheel Rogers machine. Mr. Matthews showed an old drawing made in 1835 of a Baltimore and Ohio engine, which was made from measurements in order to compare and decide on engines for the Utica and Schenectady Railway. The engines which were measured were the "Washington" and "Franklin," then running on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. These engines were of the grasshopper type, and were geared. The gearing drove a crank-shaft, which by coupling-rods took hold of outside cranks on each of the driving axles, and were similar to the "Arabian" on exhibition. Mr. Matthews also sent a drawing of a Baldwin engine on the Utica and Schenectady Railroad in 1836. This gives an elevation and plan of the engine, and was made in 1835. A radiating car by Matthews and a painting representing the first train of eight-wheel passenger coaches running west of the Hudson River were also among the curious features of the exhibit. This train shows a series of cars not unlike that built by Harlan & Hollingsworth in 1840. The tender of the engine is shown accompanied by a wood car. The coaches were built by Davenport & Bridges. Mail and other cars were under the supervision of Hiram Wiser, superintendent of the Rochester and Auburn division of the New York Central Railroad. The train was put on the track at Rochester in 1842. The painting was made in 1843 by Chas. Hyam, assistant engineer on the line, and is exhibited by I. Van Kuren, Omaha, Neb. There was also shown a drawing of a six-wheel engine called the "T. Perkins," built in 1849 for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. This engine had a water space all around the smoke-box. The English photographs of locomotives are well worth the study of American photographers and those who wish to have photographs of their engines taken. Although not as pleasing in some respects as American photographs of similar subjects, the treatment of the sky, and the fact that the engines appear to have received a coat of paint suitable to photograph well is worthy of notice.

The series of water colors exhibited by the Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway is of more than usual interest. They are 14 in number and represent various parts of the line, the more important structures on it, and the different styles of coaches used at the time of the opening. These give a better idea of how the early railways looked than anything we had previously seen. They are divested of the old look which modern art is always contriving to put upon its representations of the ancient work in its prime. The fact seems to be forgotten that when first built these old railways must have had as spick and span a look as those at the present time, though to the modern eye presenting many quaint features. Stephenson's portrait is a beautiful sample of the old miniature work, and preserves its tints apparently as fresh as on the day it was painted.

The business and financial management of the exhibition does not appear from the reports of exhibitors to have been happy in all respects. This probably results from the magnitude of the work, which has greatly exceeded the expectations of the managers. Whether this was unavoidable we do not know. Indeed, we have hardly heard definite form given to the complaints, but, as stated in the early portion of this report, there cannot be the slightest doubt as to the value of this unique exhibition to both visitor and manufacturer.

#### Awards at the Railway Exhibition.

We give below the official list of awards of premiums to exhibitors at the Railway Exhibition:

##### DEPARTMENT A—ROLLING STOCK.

###### Class No. 1.—Locomotives.

Best display of locomotives, grand gold medal, Brooks Locomotive Works.  
Best narrow-gauge passenger, gold medal, Brooks Locomotive Works.  
Best standard-gauge freight, gold medal, Baldwin Locomotive Works.  
Best narrow-gauge freight, gold medal, Baldwin Locomotive Works.  
Best switching, gold medal, Brooks Locomotive Works.  
Best logging and mining, gold medal, H. K. Porter.  
Best locomotive involving important new principles, gold medal, Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Co.  
Best locomotive clock, bronze medal, Crosby Steam Gauge and Valve Co.  
Best steam-gauge cock, bronze medal, James B. Clow & Son.  
Best stop-cock, bronze medal, James B. Clow & Son.  
Best locomotive headlight (to burn oil), gold medal, Headlight Signal Co.  
Best steam gauge, silver medal, Ashcroft Mfg. Co.  
Best water gauge, bronze medal, James B. Clow & Son.  
Best gauge test pump, bronze medal, James P. Marsh & Son.  
Best grate bar, silver medal, Lemuel Banister.  
Best locomotive bell, silver medal, James B. Clow & Son.  
Best locomotive oiler, bronze medal, A. W. Swift.  
Best wire cloth, bronze medal, Clinton Wire Cloth Co.  
Best locomotive safety-valve, silver medal, D. E. Pierce & Co.  
Best steam muffler, silver medal, Crosby Steam Gauge and Valve Co.  
Best steam whistle, silver medal, Jas. B. Clow & Son.  
Best filterer for water for locomotive, bronze medal, Farquhar-Oldham Filter Co.  
Best boiler rivets, bronze medal, Hoopes & Townsend.

Best elevated railway system, gold medal, Richard P. Morgan.  
Best sand dryer, silver medal, Johnson & Hartwell.  
Best locomotive steel forgings, gold medal, Midvale Steel Co.  
Best locomotive ash-pan, bronze medal, W. H. D. Newth.  
Best pop-valve, silver medal, Consolidated Safety Valve Co.  
Best piston packing expander, bronze medal, Winona Machinery Co.  
Best ratchet drill attachment, bronze medal, J. A. Wilson.  
Best locomotive and car iron forgings, silver medal, Wilson, Walker & Co.  
Best automatic oiler, bronze medal, Yost Car Axle Lubricator Co.  
Best locomotive feed door, bronze medal, Putnam Furnace Co.  
Best boiler cleaner, bronze medal, J. F. Hotchkiss.  
Best pressure gauge, silver medal, Yale & Towne Mfg. Co.  
Best time, speed and pressure recording alarm and gauge, bronze medal, Edison Recording Alarm Gauge Co.

###### Class No. 2.—Cars.

Best display of cars, gold medal, Pullman Palace Car Co.  
Best private or officer's, gold medal, Railway Age.  
Best dining, gold medal, Pullman Palace Car Co.  
Best sleeping, gold medal, Pullman Palace Car Co.  
Best day, gold medal, Jackson-Sharp Co.  
Best mail, gold medal, Harrison Bag-Rack Co.  
Best baggage, silver medal, Pullman Palace Car Co.  
Best stock, gold medal, New York Live Stock Express Co.  
Best box, silver medal, St. Charles Car Co.  
Best flat or gondola, silver medal, United States Tube Rolling Stock Co.  
Best coal, ore or gravel dump, silver medal, United States Car Co.  
Best wrecking, silver medal, Bucyrus Foundry and Machine Co.  
Best road or section master's, silver medal, Fairbanks, Morse & Co.  
Best hand, silver medal, Fairbanks, Morse & Co.  
Best velocipede, silver medal, T. B. Jeffrey.  
Best tank car, silver medal, Chester Oil Co.  
Best caboose car, silver medal, Lafayette Car Co.  
Best smoking-car, silver medal, Pullman Palace Car Co.

###### Class No. 3.—Running Gear.

Best steel axle (Master Car Builders' standard), silver medal, Midvale Steel Co.  
Best iron axle (Master Car Builders' standard), silver medal, Pittsburgh Forge and Iron Co.  
Best passenger train brake, gold medal, Westinghouse Air Brake Co.  
Best brake shoe, silver medal, Congdon Brake Shoe Co.  
Best springs (elliptic), gold medal, A. French & Co.  
Best springs (bearing), silver medal, A. French & Co.  
Best springs (buffer or draw), bronze medal, French Spiral Spring Co.  
Best equalizing spring, silver medal, Cliff & Righter.  
Best draw-bar for freight car, silver medal, Continuous Draw-Bar Co.  
Best journal-box, id, silver medal, W. J. Watson.  
Best journal bearing, silver medal, D. A. Hopkins.  
Best steel-tire for car-wheels, gold medal, Midvale Steel Co.  
Best steel-tire combination wheel, gold medal, Allen Paper Car-Wheel Co.  
Best car-stop, bronze medal, Thomas B. Howe.  
Best passenger car platform, coupler and buffer, gold medal, McConway, Torley & Co.  
Best passenger car six-wheel truck, gold medal, Suspension Car-Trunk Co.  
Best automatic freight-car coupler, silver medal, McConway, Torley & Co.

Best display of car-wheels, gold medal, Allen Paper Car-Wheel Co.  
Best electric magnetic brake, gold medal, Waldamer Electric Magnetic Brake Co.  
Best transfer table, silver medal, N. W. Robinson.

##### Class No. 4.—Interior Furnishings for Passenger Cars.

Best display, gold medal, Post & Co.  
Best car-door lock, bronze medal, Post & Co.  
Best seat end, silver medal, Hale & Kilburn.  
Best seat-end lock, bronze medal, S. A. Smith.  
Best seat-end fixtures, bronze medal, Gardner & Co.  
Best curtain goods, silver medal, F. W. Devoe & Co.  
Best curtain roller, bronze medal, Samuel Lacock & Son.  
Best head lining (wood), silver medal, Hale & Kilburn.  
Best window blind, bronze medal, I. G. Wilson.  
Best seat frame, silver medal, Hale & Kilburn.  
Best upholstery, silver medal, Hale & Kilburn.  
Best display fancy woods and veneers, gold medal, the E. D. Albro Co.  
Best berth and seat springs, silver medal, E. L. Bushnell.  
Best wash-room pump, silver medal, J. B. Clow & Son.  
Best cooking range, silver medal, Stephen Wilkes.  
Best reclining chair, silver medal, Marks Adjustable Folding Chair Co.  
Best revolving chair, silver medal, Marks Adjustable Folding Chair Co.  
Best washstand for parlor or sleeping car, complete, silver medal, Hale & Kilburn.  
Best basket rack, silver medal, Post & Co.  
Best door-holder, bronze medal, Pullman Door Check Co.  
Best door-knob, bronze medal, Yale & Towne Mfg. Co.  
Best cuspidor or spittoon, bronze medal, Eureka Iron Co.  
Best head-board fixtures for sleeping car, bronze medal, Post & Co.  
Best folding bed for car, complete, silver medal, Hale & Kilburn.  
Best electric or other call bell, bronze medal, Western Electric Co.  
Best window ventilator, bronze medal, H. H. Reynolds.  
Best car seat, complete, silver medal, Hale & Kilburn.  
Best display of metal trimmings, gold medal, Union Brass Co.  
Best display of glass veneers, silver medal, Glass Veneer Co.  
Best method of lighting cars, gold medal, J. M. Foster.  
Best system of closet ventilation, silver medal, E. Y. Bell.  
Best elevated gravity and mining railway, gold medal, Chicago Elevated Railway Co.

##### Class No. 5.—Freight Car Appliances.

Best car seal, bronze medal, E. J. Brooks.  
Best car replacer, silver medal, M. S. Shotwell.  
Best car pusher, bronze medal, C. T. Barnes.  
Best grain-car door, silver medal, D. F. Van Liew.  
Best freight-car door, silver medal, E. E. Pratt.  
Best end-door inside fastener, bronze medal, W. J. Watson.  
Best freight-car lock, bronze medal, Yale & Towne Mfg. Co.  
Best door-hanger, bronze medal, S. H. & E. Y. Moore.  
Best metal roofing, silver medal, Empire Car Roofing Co.

##### DEPARTMENT B—MACHINERY.

###### Class No. 1.—Wood-Working.

Best display of wood-working machinery (not less than six machines), grand gold medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best planing and matching machine, to plane 24 inches wide and under, and not match less than 12 inches, gold medal, Goodell & Waters.  
Best flooring and beading machine, gold medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best dimension planing machine, with carriage and roll feed for dressing out of wind and surfacing, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best Daniels or Traverse planing machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best double surfacing machine to dress on one or both sides, 26 inches wide and 8 inches thick and under, gold medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best surfacing machine for smoothing purposes, gold medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best band-saw machine for general work, silver medal, Goodell & Waters.  
Best band saw for resawing, to resaw 24 inches wide and under, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best railway cutting-off saw machine, with traversing arbor for timbers, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best ripping saw with elevating arbor, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best one-spindle horizontal boring machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best three-spindle horizontal boring machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best radial horizontal boring machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best three-spindle vertical boring machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best automatic car jacking machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best vertical car tenoning machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best universal tenoning machine, with movable carriage for timber work, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best tenoning machine, with copes for cabinet and general work, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best vertical spindle shaping and edge molding machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best universal wood-worker and molder, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best straight molding machine to work four sides, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best surface polishing machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best automatic knife-grinding machine and saw-sharpening, silver medal, Herhold & Bush.

Best wood-turning machine for pattern-makers' use, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best reciprocating and mortising machine, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best timber-dressing machine, with capacity of reducing 16 inches or over, and 12 inches thick and over, silver medal, J. A. Fay & Co.  
Best circular resawing machine, silver medal, Goodell & Waters.  
Best hollow chisel mortising machine, silver medal, Greenlee Bros.  
Best self-feeding rip saw, bronze medal, Greenlee Bros.  
Best automatic saw sharpener, silver medal, Halliday, Litchfield & Co.  
Best lumber dryer, silver medal, H. I. Kimble.  
Best flexible shafting, bronze medal, Stow Flexible Shaft Co.

###### Class No. 2.—Iron-Working.

Best display of iron-working tools (power), not less than six in number, grand gold medal, Pratt & Whitney Mfg. Co.  
Best axle-turning machinery, silver medal, Machine Tool Works.  
Best car-wheel boring and turning machine, gold medal, Machine Tool Works.  
Best six-spindle drilling machine, silver medal, Niles Tool Works.  
Best hydraulic wheel press, silver medal, Machine Tool Works.  
Best wheel-grinding or trueing machine, silver medal, Chilled Car-Wheel Grinding Co.  
Best iron-planing machine, silver medal, Machine Tool Works.  
Best iron crank shaping machine, silver medal, Pratt & Whitney Mfg. Co.  
Best screw-cutting engine lathe, silver medal, William Sellers & Co.  
Best upright drilling machine, silver medal, William Sellers & Co.  
Best radial drilling machine, silver medal, Machine Tool Works.  
Best bolt-heading machine, silver medal, National Machinery Co.  
Best bolt-forging machine, silver medal, National Machinery Co.  
Best bolt and screw cutting machine, silver medal, National Machinery Co.  
Best set-screw machine, silver medal, Pratt & Whitney Mfg. Co.  
Best power hammer, silver medal, Machine Tool Works.  
Best power punch and shears, silver medal, Hercules Iron Works.  
Best planer chuck, silver medal, Pratt & Whitney Mfg. Co.  
Best universal and independent chuck, over 12 inches in diameter, silver medal, E. Horton & Son.  
Best universal lathe chuck, 12 inches and under, silver medal, E. Horton & Son.  
Best assortment of lathe chucks, silver medal, E. Horton & Son.  
Best assortment of planer chucks, silver medal, E. Horton & Son.  
Best display of emery-grinding machinery, silver medal, Northampton Emery Wheel Co.  
Best display of machinists' vices, silver medal, Fisher & Norris.  
Best display of taps and dies, silver medal, Pratt & Whitney Mfg. Co.  
Best nut-tapping machine, silver medal, Shumway, Burgess & Co.  
Best drill grinding machine, silver medal, William Sellers & Co.  
Best slotting machine, silver medal, Machine Tool Works.  
Best driving-wheel lathe, gold medal, Wm. Sellers & Co.  
Best shafting, gold medal, Jones & Laughlins.  
Best hanger, bronze medal, Jones & Laughlins.  
Best pulley, bronze medal, Jones & Laughlins.  
Best flue-welding device, bronze medal, Hartz & Fix.  
Best portable power drill, bronze medal, Thomas H. Dallett & Co.  
Best spring tester, silver medal, Tinius Olsen & Co.  
Best die for forging car axles, silver medal, Boston Forge Co.  
Best display of tools for repairing locomotives, silver medal, Flanders Machine Works.  
Best hot-air pumping engine, silver medal, C. H. Delamater & Co.  
Best machine for testing strength of metals, gold medal, Fairbanks, Morse & Co.  
Best vertical boring mill, silver medal, Wm. Sellers & Co.  
Best horizontal boring machine, silver medal, Wm. Sellers & Co.

##### DEPARTMENT C—TRACK GOODS.

###### Class No. 1.

Best display of steel and iron rails and track goods, grand gold medal, Cambria Iron Co.  
Best track-laying device, gold medal, American Railway Construction Co.  
Best track bolt and nut, bronze medal, Hoopes & Townsend.  
Best track-bolt washer, bronze medal, Pratt Mfg. Co.  
Best railway fencing, silver medal, Western Fence Co.  
Best claw bar, bronze medal, Crerar, Adams & Co.  
Best cross-tie (metal), silver medal, D. S. Whittenhall.  
Best process for preserving wood cross-ties and timber, gold medal, Wood Preserving Co., St. Louis.  
Best crossing, silver medal, Morden Frog and Crossing Co.  
Best fish and angle plate, silver medal, Morris, Sellers & Co.  
Best track jack, Jenny jack, bronze medal, Pettibone & Mulliken, agents.  
Best jack screw, bronze medal, Crerar, Adams & Co.  
Best track level, bronze medal, Crerar, Adams & Co.  
Best nut lock, silver medal, Van Kuren Elastic Nut Lock Co.  
Best scraper, silver medal, L. Pennock & Sons Co.  
Best track gauge, bronze medal, Crerar, Adams & Co.  
Best shovel, bronze medal, Hussey, Binns & Co.  
Best spikes (one keg), bronze medal, W. Goldie.  
Best switch (complete), silver medal, Gray Switch Co.  
Best switch lock, bronze medal, Post & Co.  
Best switch stand, bronze medal, Fairbanks & Co.

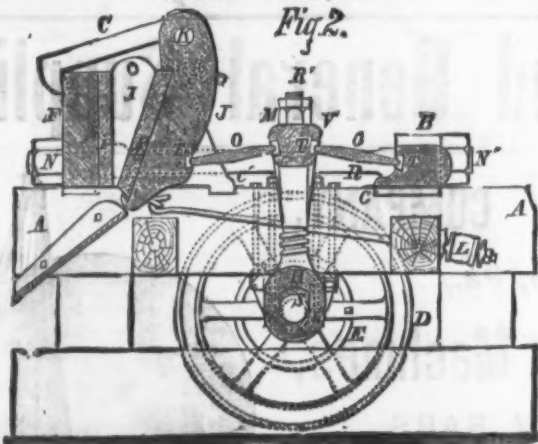






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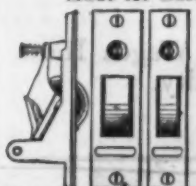
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## A Comparison of the Working of a Blast Furnace with Blast varying in Temperature from 990° to 1414° F.\*

BY W. HAWDON.

The question of the advantage gained by working a blast furnace with blast at a high temperature over that at a lower temperature has for some time past been much discussed; so much so that the subject is considered by many quite threshed out; extreme high temperatures are considered the savior of the pig-iron manufacturer in these days of keen competition, and that without such he will be left behind in the race. Only a few months ago we heard of 5 cwt. of coke per ton of iron being saved by the application of brick regenerative stoves, producing, of course, high heats; while one of the oldest of the Cleveland smelters, in his inaugural address as president of the Cleveland Institution of Engineers, gave it as his opinion last year that with a temperature of blast beyond 1000° F. no further economy in fuel would result. So various have been the statements of the effect produced on particular furnaces, and so startling the saving of coke said to have been made in many instances when brick heating stoves (which are the only means at the present day of obtaining a very high temperature of blast) were applied to these furnaces, that unless the varying circumstances of each particular case came under personal observation, it has been difficult for any one satisfactorily to account for the very much better order of things which prevailed under the new régime.

The reduction of silicon into the pig iron has always been a scarce with many founders and managers when high heats are used in the reduction of pig iron from the ore, and this demands refutation if the success of high heats is to be accomplished. The fact has been that in many cases before the application of the higher heats the furnaces have been relined, and stoves capable of securing a high temperature of blast have replaced those capable of producing a temperature of only 500° to 700° F. The effect of increased temperature on small furnaces, particularly under such improved conditions, has been a marked improvement and economy in the working of the furnace. It is my intention to give the experience which I have gained in case of large furnaces, and with a blast already heated up to 1000° F., by further raising the temperature to somewhat over 1400° F. Part of the plant at the Newport Iron Works of B. Samuelson & Co., Middleboro', is composed of a separate and complete plant of three blast furnaces, Nos. 6, 7, 8. Owing to circumstances, the center one (No. 7) was blown out in October, 1881, and as it had been in blast since June, 1870, the stoves, which were of the ordinary lean-to U-pipe type, were necessarily much worn, and would require extensive repairs to put them in thorough working order.

The writer visited several works where brick heating-stoves of the Cowper and Whitwell types were applied and high heats used, with the view of obtaining comparative information as to the saving effected thereby. Information freely given led to the expectation that the saving of ¼ to 1 cwt. of coke per ton of pig iron would be effected by raising the temperature of the blast from 950° or 1000° to 1450° or 1500°, when applied to such furnaces as the one now specially under consideration, and that from 50 tons to 70 tons per week more pig iron would be made. It was decided to pull down the old pipe stoves and put up brick regenerative stoves. Those of the Cowper type were adopted, and I would just observe, in passing, that it is not intended by any remarks here made to put forward the superiority of any one type of brick stoves over another, but merely to indicate the description of stove used. The furnace has not been blown in yet, and the new stoves were therefore available for work at an adjoining furnace. This opportunity has been made use of by the writer to note observations and obtain particulars in connection with the working of this furnace when using blast heated in the U-pipe stoves to a temperature of 990° F., and in the brick stoves to 1414° F. Blast at the higher temperature was turned on a few hours after the lower was cut off, so that here we have an accurate comparison of the results obtained under the two conditions. The Cowper stoves, being built for No. 7 furnace, were placed some distance from No. 8, so that the blast had to pass through a tube 4 feet 3½ inches diameter and 67½ feet longer than is necessary if working the furnace for which the stoves were erected. This tube is lined with 14-inch fire-brick, and the loss of heat, taken by the thermometer on a calm day, was found to be 43° F., in consequence of this extra tubing. The furnace in question (No. 8) was blown in in February, 1872, and had therefore been in blast for 10 years—not a bad life for a furnace. But being in good condition and in a thorough state of repair, the comparison does not suffer thereby. The furnace is 85 feet high from hearth to platform level, and has a bosh 27 feet diameter, which is built at an angle of 66½°, or an inclination of 1 in 2.6. When the furnace was blown in, the well was 9 feet diameter. The tuyeres used are 5¼ inches diameter at the nose, but the muzzles of the "bully pipes," which project into the tuyeres to within 3 inches of the nose, have been varied

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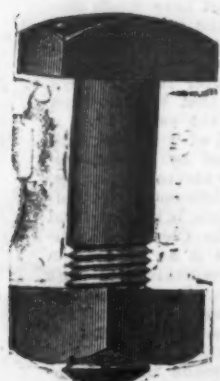
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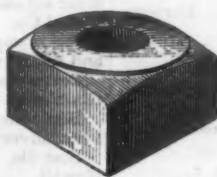
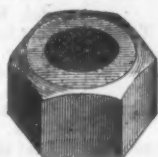
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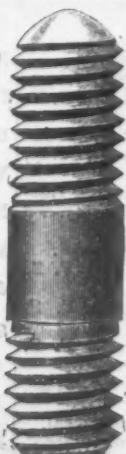
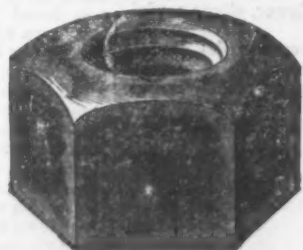


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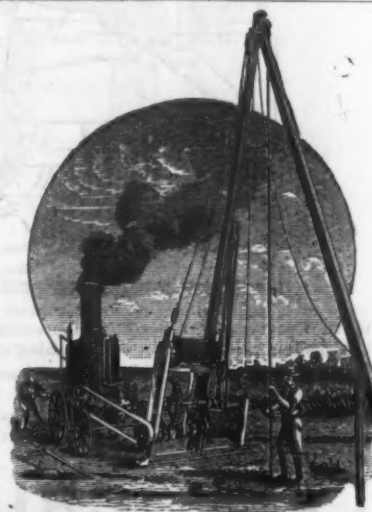
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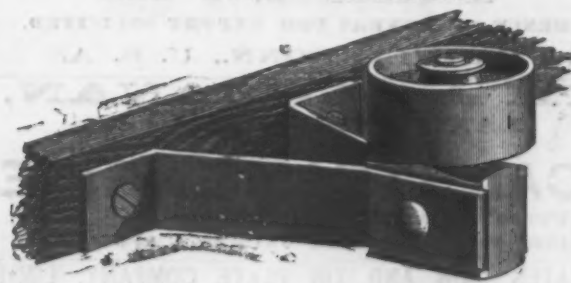
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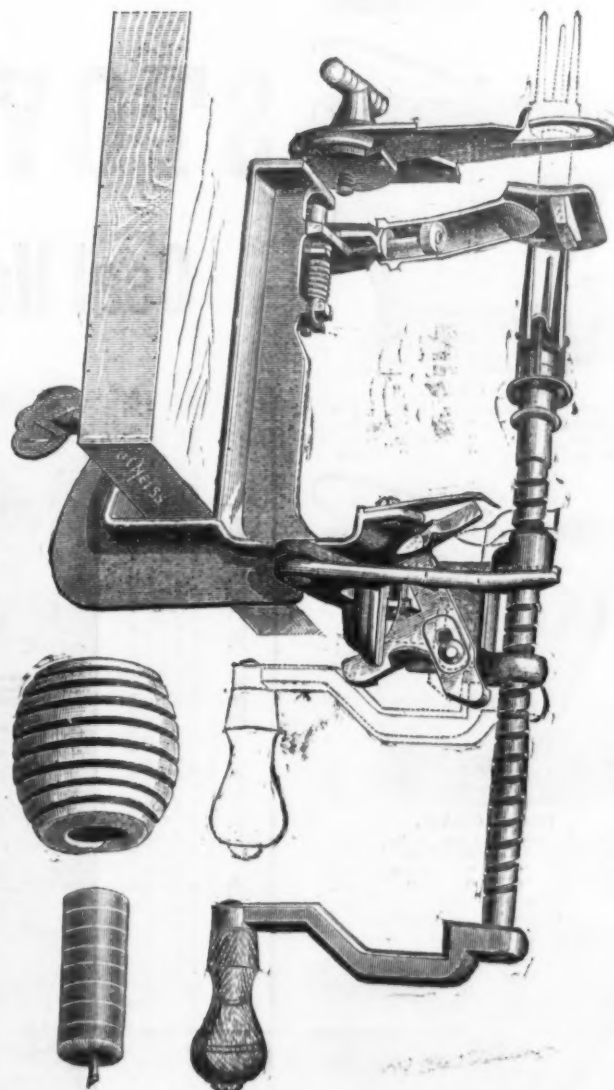
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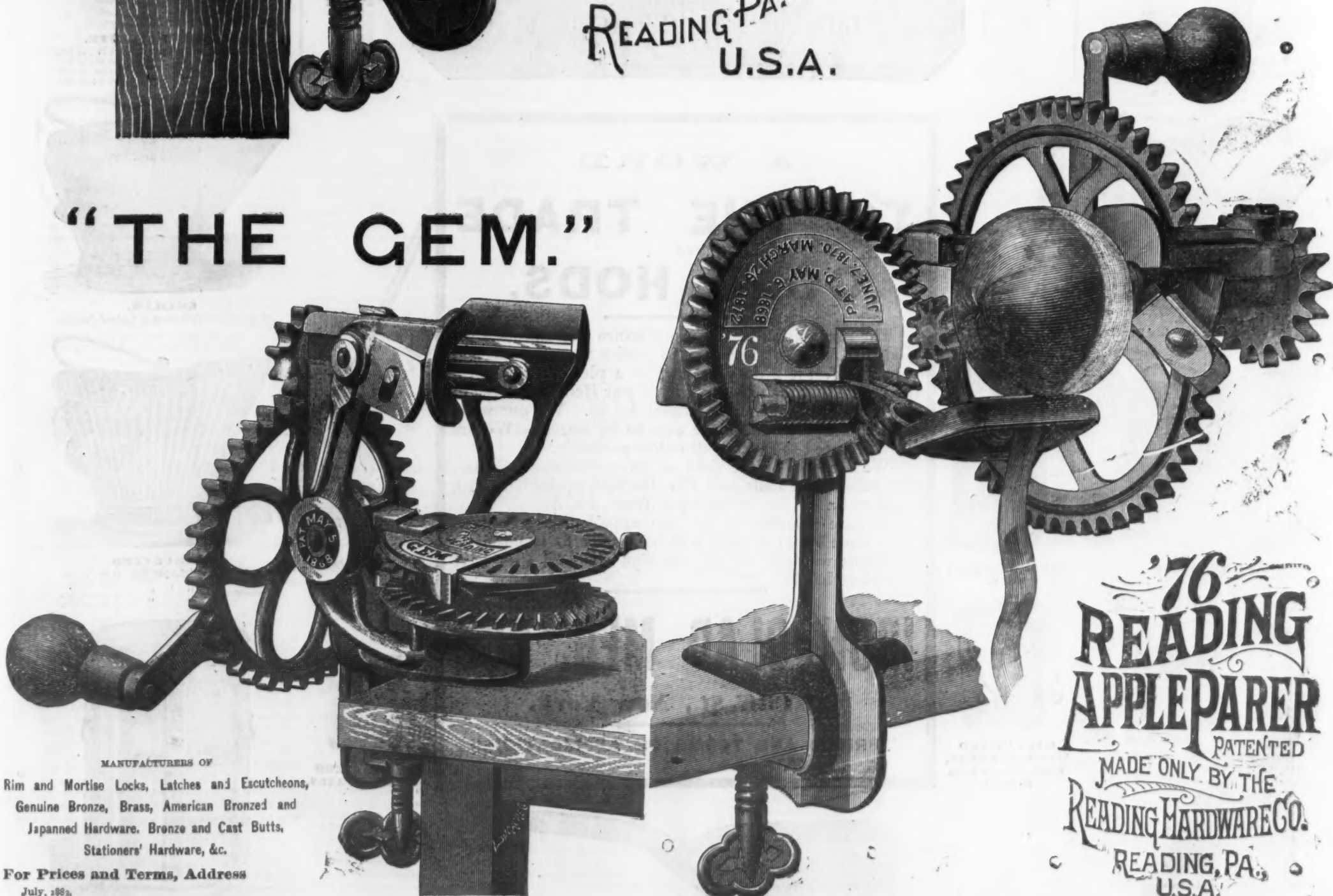


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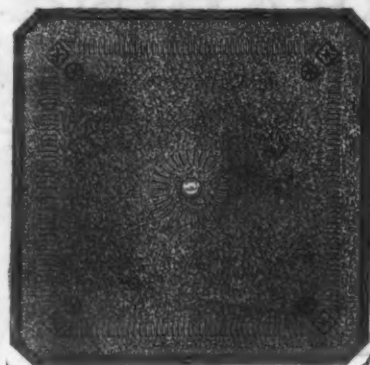
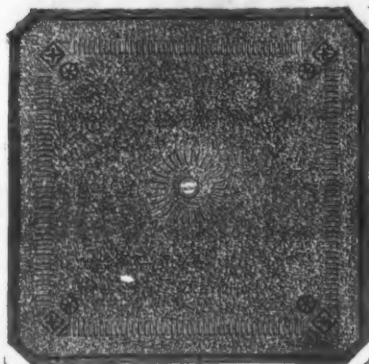
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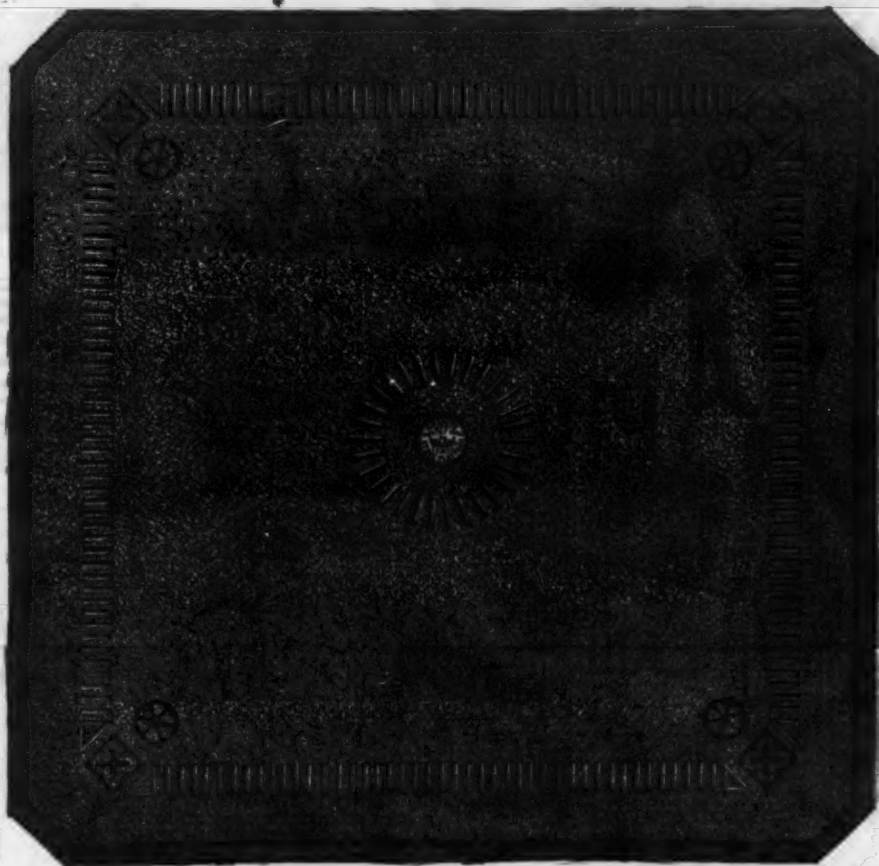
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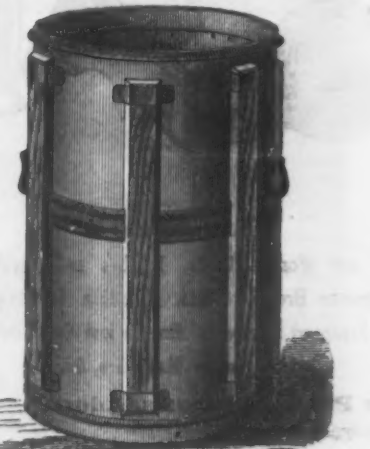
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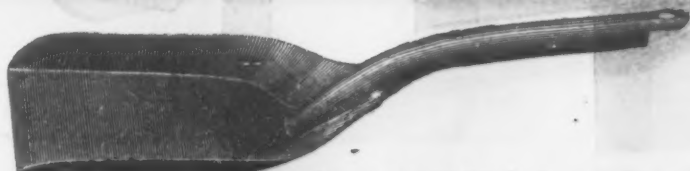
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somewhat, according to the temperature of the blast, as hereafter stated. The cubical capacity of the furnace is 29,410 feet, reckoning to within 2 feet 6 inches of the under side of the bell, which is 13 feet diameter.

The material used is Cleveland ironstone and limestone and coke from Durham. The coke is low in fixed carbon, having, according to analysis, only 88.8 per cent. This is probably accounted for by the fact that in process of manufacture the coal is only 42 hours in coking, giving a yield of 67.75 per cent. of coke. Were this coke manufactured under the ordinary long-hour system, whereby 80½ to 90 per cent. fixed carbon is obtained, the weight of coke used in smelting the iron would be proportionately lower. This should be borne in mind if comparison is made with the duty done by other coals. The plan here adopted for comparison of the work done with different temperatures of blast has been to tabulate the make of the furnace and yields of material per ton of iron over periods of some weeks, giving the temperatures of the blast and the gas during each period. Calculating from an analysis of the gas, we obtain some check on the recorded yields given, and we are also enabled to give a comparison of the work done by the furnace under the varied conditions by comparing the sum of the heat units contributed from the two sources of supply—coke and blast—which are the variable elements under consideration, together with the temperature of the escaping gases. These yields of the materials used have been obtained by carefully weighing the barrows as they pass up to the furnace-lift. The yields for the seven weeks ending November 18, 1882, were as follows, the average temperature of blast over this period being 990° F., and the furnace working with the U-pipe stoves:

PER TON OF IRON MADE.						
Pig iron made per week, tons.	Quality.	Coke.	Limestone.	Calculated ironstone.	Purple ore.	Silicon in No. 3 pig iron, per cent.
400	3-33	23.8	11.5	47.2	0.36	2.4

The small amount of purple ore, containing 64 per cent. of iron, was used for "damping" the bells. The pressure of blast was 4½ pounds per square inch at the engine house, and 4½ pounds at the tuyeres, of which there are five, the muzzles of four being 4½ inches diameter, and one over the tapping-hole 3½ inches diameter = 67.75 square inches area. The furnace was now connected with the brick stoves, which had been previously thoroughly dried. But as it was thought advisable at first not to press them, we worked with a moderate temperature only. The mean temperature over the next four weeks ending December 16, 1882, was 1768° F., the tuyere area and blast pressure being the same as before. The following were the yields for this period:

PER TON OF IRON MADE.						
Pig iron made per week, tons.	Quality.	Coke.	Limestone.	Calculated ironstone.	Purple ore.	Silicon in No. 3 pig iron, per cent.
400	3-36	23.21	11.5	47.4	0.36	2.6

The coke, it will be observed, is reduced by .59 cwt. per ton of iron, while there is a slight increase in make; and as the silicon had somewhat increased, ½ cwt. per ton of limestone was added to the charge. The diameter of the tuyere muzzles was now increased to 4½ inches. The mean temperature over the two weeks ending January 27, 1883, was 1795° F. The following are the yields for this period:

PER TON OF IRON MADE.						
Pig iron made per week, tons.	Quality.	Coke.	Limestone.	Calculated ironstone.	Purple ore.	Silicon in No. 3 pig iron, per cent.
440	3-35	23.08	12.12	47.4	0.36	2.5

Here it will be observed the make increased considerably, and there was a further small diminution in the coke per ton of iron, although the burden of limestone had been somewhat increased. The diameter of the tuyere muzzles was again increased to 5½ inches, and the mean temperature of the blast over seven weeks, ending March 17, 1883, was 1728° F. The following are the yields:

PER TON OF IRON MADE.						
Pig iron made per week, tons.	Quality.	Coke.	Limestone.	Calculated ironstone.	Purple ore.	Silicon in No. 3 pig iron, per cent.
464	3-14	22.3	12.16	47.95	0.35	2.6

A larger make, a somewhat better quality, and a further saving of .21 cwt. of coke will be here noted. The iron at this time was dry and "rich" in appearance, an evidence of too much heat. The burden was therefore increased, with the following result, over the two weeks ending March 31, 1883:

PER TON OF IRON MADE.						
Pig iron made per week, tons.	Quality.	Coke.	Limestone.	Calculated ironstone.	Purple ore.	Silicon in No. 3 pig iron, per cent.
418	3-08	22.3	12.9	47.08	0.34	2.6

The temperature over this period was 1400° F. The make was smaller than in the preceding period, but on account of short stoppages for repairs of the furnace, the working time of the furnace was shorter. In order to ascertain if the temperature of the escaping gases was affected by the increased temperature of the blast, tests were made over a period of 12 hours, and taken every 15 minutes or thereabouts. The temperature of the escaping gases varies so much over any given period that a test taken at random, or even over a couple of hours, is very misleading. The time of lowest temperature is, of course, when a large amount of material has been charged into the furnace. This, in the course

of ordinary working, is as low as 323°, and gradually increases during the time that charging operations are suspended. The results of trials taken throughout the day, October 31, 1882, when the average temperature of the escaping gases was 490° F., show that the average temperature of blast was 1065° F. As the rise in temperature was gradual after charging had ceased, the trials were not so frequently made, but that is allowed for in taking the average temperature. The temperature of gases was taken in a similar manner over 12 hours on other occasions, showing:

Average temperature of gas.		
No. 1.	No. 2.	No. 3.
468° F.	448° F.	448° F.
Average temperature of blast, 1,139° F.	1,403° F.	1,403° F.

From this it would appear that the temperature of the escaping gases decreases with the decrease of fuel, although this decrease of fuel is compensated for by an increased blast temperature. The volume of the escaping gases is smallest when the higher temperatures of blast are used, since, when this is the case, the amount of fuel consumed is smallest, and consequently the amount of air blown in to consume this fuel is also larger. The weight of gas per ton of iron we find to be 133.3 cwt. when the blast is 1376° F. The volume of the escaping gases is largest when the blast temperature is low, since, when this is the case, the amount of fuel consumed is larger, and consequently the amount of air blown in to consume this fuel is also larger. The weight of gas per ton of iron we find to be 140.8 cwt. when the blast is 990° F. In both cases the gases, in passing up the furnace, pass through the column of material—viz., coke, mine and limestone, which is charged in at the top of the furnace. The materials in passing down the furnace absorb practically the same amount of heat in both cases. But since the volume of the escaping gases in one case is less than the volume in the other, the temperature of the gases when they are leaving the furnace will be lower when the volume is small than when it is greater, granting, at the same time, that the furnace is of sufficiently large capacity to allow of absorption with the quicker driving—that is, when the gases are passing off more rapidly. In order to ascertain how much of the ironstone remained uncalcined after it had passed through the calcining kilns, samples were taken in bulk in the following manner: Three shovelfuls of mine were taken from each of the six openings of the kilns, and the whole thoroughly mixed. This operation was repeated at each kiln. About one-quarter of the mine from each kiln was taken for sample and thoroughly mixed together. This was crushed in a mortar-mill and a sample taken to the laboratory. An average of five such samples of calcined stone, as determined by Mr. Stead, to whom I am indebted for the analyses given in this paper, gave the subjoined result. I give in the appendix the results of Mr. Stead's analyses of the escaping gases, and also, in the same place, the calorific value of the various sources of heat supply, having, in connection with Mr. Stead, gone so far into this subject as to illustrate a comparison of the results obtained of the work done by the furnace under consideration when the air was blown in at a temperature of 990° F., and again at 1376° F.:

PER CENT.			
Per cent.	Cwt. per ton.	Oxygen.	Carbon.
FeO.....	49.38	84.01	7.2
Fe.....	4.72	5.37	0.31
CO.....	8.98	1.45	1.00
Loss by calcination.....	3.11	1.51	0.10
SO <sub>2</sub> .....	0.66	0.32	0.10
		8.95	0.39

This gives metallic iron = 38.13 per cent. The CO<sub>2</sub>, of course, passes off at the top of the furnace, and affects the calculation in computing the weight of carbon which passes down to the tuyeres. It is therefore necessary, in computing the value of the gases, to make the allowance for this uncalcined stone. The unburnt stone is chiefly found in the center of the large lumps, and although the stone may appear almost perfectly calcined, yet in the best constructed kilns 2 to 3 per cent. is generally found to be the further loss when a sample taken from the kilns is submitted to perfect calcination in a muffle. Samples were taken from the kilns at other works in Middleboro', when the stone was well burnt, and gave further loss of 1.8 and 2.1 per cent., respectively. The practical work accomplished in this furnace by increasing the temperature of the blast from 990° F. to 1414° F. has been a saving of 1½ cwt. coke per ton of iron, and an increase in make of 60 tons per week, with a better quality of iron by nearly one-fourth of a grade, and that, too, without any increased reduction of silicon into the iron, though it would appear that rather more limestone is required when the higher heats are used. It becomes now an easy matter to calculate whether it is worth while pulling down old pipe stoves at any particular stage of wear and tear, and replacing them with the effective brick heating stove of the Cowper, Whitwell or similar type. A very important item in connection with the working of brick regenerative stoves in place of the ordinary U-pipe stove appears to have escaped general observation. I refer to the amount of gas required to heat the blast by this method. The pipe stoves in use at Newport Iron Works are of modern construction, and may be taken as among the best of the kind. There are nine to each furnace, eight of which are at work, while one is off for cleaning purposes. Each stove has 12 pipes, with a heating surface of 100.48 square feet per pipe = 1205.76 square feet per stove, giving 8 × 1205.76 = 9646 square feet of heating surface per furnace. The cubical contents of each stove = 1781 feet. That of the pipes in each stove = 320 cubic feet, which, deducted from the former, gives 1461 cubic feet in each stove to be filled with the gases in combustion. This gives 8 × 1461 = 11,688 cubic feet per furnace. Therefore the proportion of heating surface of the pipes is to the cubical capacity of the stove as 9646 square feet heating surface:11,688 cubic feet capacity of stove, or as 1:1.21. Now, in the Cowper stoves, which are at work at this furnace, one working the blast while the other is being heated with the gas, there are 42,860 square feet of available heating surface per stove.

Cubic feet.	
The cubical capacity of each stove.....	18,610
That of the bricks.....	8,406
Difference.....	10,204

Therefore the proportion of heating surface is to the cubical area as 42,857 square feet: 10,204 cubic feet, or as 42 is to 1, as against 1:1.21 in the other case, showing a great economy of space to be filled by gas under combustion in the brick stove. And, moreover, the outside surface of the brick stove is much less than that of the pipe stove, giving thereby less surface for radiation. In the pipe stove there is not sufficient length of time, nor is the surface of the pipes of sufficient area, to allow of the complete absorption of heat from the burning gases. But the gas which is ignited at the bottom passes rapidly and directly through the stove and out of the chimney at the top, where it escapes at the high temperature of 1240° F.; while with a well-designed brick stove the gas has a long way to travel, a large surface of bricks to pass over, travels at a much slower rate than in the case in the pipe stove, and consequently the heat is so thoroughly absorbed by the bricks that the gases escape into the chimney at a temperature (from the Newport stoves) of 250° F. The escaping gases analyze as follows:

From the pipe stoves.	
Per cent.	Cowper stove.
N.....	74.34
CO.....	24.30
CO <sub>2</sub> .....	Nil
O.....	1.46
H.....	Nil
	100.00

Showing in both cases very little excess of air. In order to ascertain the amount of gas passing through the various flues to the stoves, boilers, &c., readings were taken by Swan's tube anemometer, with the result that the sum of the amounts passing down the gas tubes from the two furnaces in blast showed only an excess of 3.6 per cent. over the sum of the amount passing into the various stoves and boilers, thus showing comparative accuracy in the readings. This anemometer showed exactly the same amount of gas passing down the gas tube from each furnace. The pipe stoves at work on the No. 6 furnace are identical with those formerly at work on No. 8. One of them was off for repairs and one cleaning, leaving seven at work. Taking the sum of the amounts of gas passing down the two gas tubes as unity, they being the source of supply, we have:

PER CENT.	
To the Cowper stoves.....	14.9
To the seven pipe stoves.....	23.4
Through the gas-flue to the boilers.....	61.7
Total.....	100.00

Now we find that the gas per ton of iron passing from No. 8 furnace = 133.3 cwt., the anemometer reading being taken at the same time, giving at the rate of 266.6 cwt. per ton passing from the two furnaces as our gas supply. The sum of the two amounts = at the rate of 266.6 cwt. gas per ton of iron to each of the sets of stoves which respectively supply one furnace; but in the case of the boilers, the number of tons is at the same time doubled, the steam supply from the boilers being to both furnaces, the make at the two furnaces being nearly the same. This gives us—

PER CENT.	
To the Cowper stoves.....	39.53
To the seven pipe stoves.....	61.47
Through the gas-main to boilers.....	122.94
Total.....	223.94

Take first the Cowper stove. From the gas analysis 27.34 per cent. is CO = 11.71 C. This per cent. of 39.53 cwt. = 4.64 cwt. carbon. Hence we have developed—

Cwt. heat units.	
(CO to CO <sub>2</sub> ) 4.64 × 5600.....	25,984
Hydrogen.....	1,550
Sensible heat of gas, 39.53 × 100° C. × .9.....	970
We have carried our heat units from—	

Heat units.	
Blast (746° F. loss from stove to tuyere) = Heat 788° C. × 0.17 × .237.....	18,333
From waste gases.....	39.63 cwt.
Add weight of air required to 4.64 cwt. C from CO to CO <sub>2</sub> and 0.03 cwt. H, and due to 1.1 per cent. excess of O in waste gas.....	20.24 "
68.87 × 140° C. × .24.....	23,113
Leaving for radiation.....	7,394
Total.....	58,010

Take now the pipe stoves—11.7 per cent. of 62.25 cwt. = 7.28 cwt. carbon. This develops (CO to CO<sub>2</sub>):

Heat units.	
7.28 × 5600.....	40,768
Hydrogen.....	1,700
Sensible heat in gas, 62.25 × 100° C. × .24.....	1,523
	41,991

We have passing out—

Heat units.	
Blast 531° C. × 305 cwt. × .237.....	37,950
Waste gases (62.25 + 49.9 = 112.15 cwt. × 67° C. × .24).....	18,661
Leaving for radiation.....	11,970
	43,991

In this latter case 105 cwt. of blast is taken as being used, as is the case with the lower temperature of blast. The difference (625 - 39.63) = 22.62 cwt. gas per ton of iron, represents the amount of gas saved by using the brick stove in preference to the pipe stove, and might, with proper application, be used for calcining the ironstone, where that is necessary, or for other purposes. Now, 22.62 cwt. is 16.9 per cent. of 133.3 cwt.; or, in other words, the saving effected by heating the gas in the brick stoves is equal to 16.9 per cent. of the whole of the gas given off from the furnace. Of this 26.3 per cent. is CO = 6 cwt. CO per ton of iron, which, when burnt to CO<sub>2</sub>, gives 2.57 C × 5600 = 14,392 cwt. heat units. The calorific power of the small coal used in the Cleveland district for calcining purposes may be taken at 7000; so that if this heat were applied to calcine the ironstone, it would represent 14,392 7,000 = 2 cwt. (about) of small coal per ton of iron made. At the Newport Works we use 2½ cwt. small coal to calcine the ironstone required to make 1 ton of iron. At some works with high kilns, as small an amount as 2 cwt. only is required. A certain amount of this, doubtless, passes off burnt to only the first degree, or CO. Therefore we find that the saving in gas by using the brick stove is about the quantity requisite to calcine the ironstone for use in the furnace. The ordinary type of calcining

kilns is without doubt unfitted for this mode of firing; but it does not appear unlikely that kilns can easily be adapted for the purpose. A great advantage is found in using the brick stoves during the prevalence of high winds, owing to the better draft of the chimney, when, as every furnace manager knows, it is impossible to maintain the heats with the ordinary type of U-pipe stove. We may, therefore, congratulate the inventors of brick regenerative stoves on having introduced an improved mode of heating the air, though the advantage, when compared with the cast-iron pipe stoves, where the services they render give such fair results as 1050° to 1100° F. of blast temperature, is not, according to our experience, equal to that which has in some instances been claimed for them. As an instance of the saving effected, we will take the No. 8 furnace at Newport Works; the Cowper stoves are built of the best Wortley fire-bricks, and the whole workmanship is of the best quality. They cost £2200 each = £4400 per furnace, without the foundations, which were already in, and the chimney, which is large enough to drive stoves for three furnaces, costs £270:

Per year.	
Interest and depreciation on the Cowper stoves at 15 per cent.....	£700 0 0
Interest and depreciation on the pipe stoves at 15 per cent.....	495 0 0
Difference.....	£205 0 0

Saving in coke, as in the Newport case, 1½ cwt. per ton, 1¼ d. One-fourth better grade in quality = 3d per ton. Total saving, 1¼ d per ton. On 400 tons per week, say 50,600 per year..... 1,223 2 6 Deduct..... 205 0 0

Total saving per annum in favor of the brick stoves..... £1,018 2 6

There remains, in addition, the saving of gas, which, if properly applied, is no inconsiderable item, and the profit—when such a desirable result is accomplished—on the extra make.

By John E. Stead and W. Havelton.  
The analyses of 11 samples of gas, taken up to November 16, 1882, were found by Mr. Stead to be as follows:

Volume. Weight. Oxygen. Carbon.			
N.....	59.02	87.07	.....
CO.....	27.97	26.63	15.22
CO <sub>2</sub> .....	10.31	16.81	11.79
H.....	1.28	.69	.....
	100.00	100.00	27.01

Oxygen brought in with N in air = 17.48 parts.

There is reduced in the pig iron:

Cwt. per ton. Oxygen. Carbon.			
SiO <sub>2</sub> .....	1.03	.55	.....
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> .....	.31	.49	.....
MnO.....	.10	.02	.....
Add to this from the calcined stone.....	8.96	0.39	.....
Total from ore and pig iron.....	99.3	0.39	.....

Taking 11½ cwt. of limestone with 42 per cent. CO<sub>2</sub> = 4.83 cwt. CO<sub>2</sub> = 1.36 cwt. carbon and 3.64 cwt. oxygen per ton of iron.

Summary of oxygen and carbon charged with the ironstone and limestone, allowing for 3 per cent. further loss in ironstone:

Oxygen. Carbon.			
Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.
From ore as above.....	9.93	0.39	.....
From limestone.....	3.49	1.36	.....
	13.42	1.69	.....

As we have in 100 parts of the gas, as shown above, 27.01 parts O, of which 17.48 parts are contributed by the blast, therefore there will be (27.01 - 17.48) = 9.53 parts O derived from the ore and limestone.

Then 9.53 : 13.42 :: 100 : 140 cwt. of gas per ton of iron, and since 100 parts of gas contain 15.83 parts of C, we have:

Cwt. C.	
100 : 15.83 :: 140.8 : 22.58	
Deduct due to ore and limestone.....	1.69
Add combined with pig iron.....	0
	21.10

Since the coke contains 89 per cent. fixed carbon nearly, we have 89 : 100 :: 21.10 = 23.8 cwt. coke per ton of iron, an amount which exactly agrees with the return from the furnace weigh-book, as before shown.

ANALYSIS OF GAS FROM MARCH 17 TO 24, 1883.

Volume. Weight. Oxygen. Carbon.			
N.....	59.17	86.34	.....
CO.....	28.71	27.34	15.61
CO <sub>2</sub> .....	10.85	16.23	11.81
	100.00	100.00	27.44

O due to air = 17.26 parts.

O and C due to ore and limestone (12 cwt.)

Oxygen. Carbon.			
Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.
From the ore as before.....	9.93	.39	.....
From the limestone.....	3.64	1.36	.....
	13.57	1.75	.....

In 100 parts of gas we have 27.44 parts O, of which 17.26 parts are contributed by the blast.

We have 27.44 - 17.26 = 10.18 parts O derived from ore and limestone. Then 10.18 : 43.57 :: 100 : 133.3 cwt. of gas per ton of iron.

We have 100 parts of gas containing 16.13 parts C:

Cwt. C.	
100 : 16.13 :: 133.3 : 21.50	
Less due to ore and limestone.....	1.75
	19.75

Add combined with iron..... 20.35

Which is (89 : 100 :: 20.35) = 22.8 cwt. coke per ton of iron.

We will now examine the variable sources of heat supply, viz., the coke consumed in smelting a ton of iron and the heat given in with the blast, taking into consideration also the variable amount of heat carried off from the furnace with the gas which is consequent on any change in the former source of supply. Speaking of the circumstance under consideration, the number of heat units required to smelt the ore and limestone requisite to produce a ton of pig iron is constant (except when the limestone was increased, and this is allowed for in the summary following), and therefore the only items which it is necessary to deal with for comparison are the weight of coke consumed, the temperature of the blast and the temperature of the escaping gases.

Taking the average analysis of gas from October 23 to November 16, 1882, we have the weight of gas = 140.8 cwt. per ton of iron.

Cwt.	
Carbon from coke (23.8 cwt. per ton of iron.....	21.10
Carbon from ironstone.....	.39
Carbon from limestone.....	1.36
Total amount of C charged into furnace.....	22.85
C from CaCO <sub>3</sub> carries off an equal weight of C from coke (CO <sub>2</sub> × C) = 2 CO.....	2.72 cwt.
C from ironstone.....	.39
C absorbed by pig iron.....	.6
	3.59

Leaving C burnt at tuyeres..... 19.26

Cwt. heat units.	
19.26 × 2400.....	46,224
C in CO <sub>2</sub> in gas per ton of iron = 5.83 cwt. = .39 (C from ironstone) = 5.83 × 5600.....	32,648
Heat contributed by blast = 105 cwt. air × .237 × 539° C.....	13,210
	92,182

Deduct from this:  
Heat absorbed by decomposition of 11.5 cwt. limestone × 370°..... 4255  
Heat carried off in 140.8 cwt. gas at 254° C × .24..... 8583  
Total heat units utilized in furnace..... 79,345  
\* I. L. Bell.

Take now the average gas analysis from March 15 to 24, 1883. We have the weight of gas = 133.3 cwt. per ton of iron.

Cwt.	
Carbon from coke (22.8 cwt.) per ton of iron.....	20.35
Carbon from ironstone.....	.39
Carbon from limestone.....	1.36
C from CaCO <sub>3</sub> carries off an equal weight of C from coke (CO <sub>2</sub> × C) = 2.72 cwt. } C from ironstone..... .39 } C absorbed by iron..... .6 }	3.71
	22.10







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Hardware.	Old boiler tubes, pos., 2,907
Barbour Bros.	Wheels, 32
Mach'y. cs. 3	Wash. wire, coils, 289
Baker Hermann & Co.	Wire, coils, 188
Hdw. cutlery and guns, 75	Rods, bbls., 298
Cassaux H.	Gal. wire, cks., 75
Arma, cs. 27	Sheets, bbls., 2785
Clark Cotton Co.	Steel, 3,601
Mach'y. pgs., 275	
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Drexel, Morgan & Co.	
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Field, Alfred & Co.	
Mach'y. cs., 11	
Fraser P. A. & Co.	
Mach'y. cs., 2	
Godfrey Chas. J.	
Arma, cs. 5	
Great Western Disp. Co.	
Guns, cs. 8	
Hartley & Graham	
Mach'y. cs., 3	
Hayward, Perry & Co.	
Mach'y. pgs., 3	
Johnson John & Co.	
Mach'y. pgs., 159	
Lamarque L. & Sons	
Iron nails, cks., 14	
Moore's J. P. Sons	
Mach'y. cs., 12	
Palmer L. M.	
Nails, kegs, 69	
Read, Holiday & Co.	
Mach'y. cs., 9	
Russell & Erwin Mfg. Co.	
Case, 1	
Ryle W.	
Mach'y. pgs., 24	
Scott P. & Co.	
Arma, cs. 5	
Toulidie	
Iron bottles, 2	
Ward Alaine	
Mach'y. cs., 7	
Wiebusch, Hilger & Co.	
Hdw. cutlery and guns, 12	
Witte John G. & Bro.	
Cutlery, cs., 17	
Wolf F. W.	
Mach'y. case, 1	
Mach'y. pgs., 1	
Order	
Cases, 2	
Cases, 4	
Mach'y. cs., 52	
Reckman, 2	
Iron.	
Anglo-American Roofing Co.	
Sheets, cs., 305	
Baring Bros. & Co.	
Bars, 12,621	
Wire rods, bbls., 3,440	
Rods, bbls., 1,800	
Bond, Parsons & Co.	
Sheets, bbls., 69	
Brown Bros. & Co.	
Swedish bars, 1,016	
Swedish bars, bbls., 400	
Old rails, 101	
Bruckner, Evans & Co.	
Wire netting, rolls, 80	
Braswell, J.	
Ore, tons, 300	
Crocker Bros.	
Spiegelstein, tons, 805	
Pgs. cks., 138	
Hill E.	
Oxide, cks., 43	
Iron Clad Mfg. Co.	
Sheets, bbls., 265	
Sheets, bbls., 17	
Lee James & Co.	
Pgs. tons, 100	
Lundberg Gust.	
Bars, 17,731	
Marvel Wm.	
Ore, tons, 480	
McIlhenny W. H.	
Rails, 38,14	
Morton, Bliss & Co.	
Railed beams, 41	
Naylor & Co.	
Remmer pig, tons, 500	
Spiegel, cks., 400	
Naylor, Benson & Co.	
Drawn wire, coils, 456	
Stetson G. W. & Co.	
Pgs. tons, 100	
Ward Geo. E.	
Old iron, tons, 220	
Western Union Telegraph Co.	
Cable, pgs., 3	
Wright Peter & Co.	
Package, cs., 10	
Wright John & Co.	
Old iron, tons, 225	
Order	
Pgs. tons, 1,012	
Bars, 1,400	
Spiegel, tons, 441	
Swedish, bbls., 801	

## FOREIGN TRADE MOVEMENTS.

The following is a summary of foreign trade movements during the past week:

For the week ended June 29:

Total	1892	1893
Prev. reported	\$7,676,266	\$8,093,735
Since Jan. 1	\$214,576,734	\$254,624,887

Included in the imports were leading articles of merchandise valued as follows:

Pkg.	Value.
Antimony	102
Brass goods	79
Bronzes	27
Chains and anchors	27
Clocks	7
Copper	303
Cutlery	271
Gas fixtures	2
Guns	30
Hardware	13
Iron, pig, tons	1,435
Iron, sheet, tons	12
Iron, other, tons	1,399
Isinglass	6
Machinery	282
Metal goods	940
Nails	437
Needles	10
Nickel	7
Old metal	30,286

Platina	1	554
Plated ware	1	188
Pins	690	16,754
Quicksilver	26	4,110
Saddlery	248,297	212,430
Steel	299	8,013
Steel blooms	55,115	8,202
Spelter	11	4,795
Silverware	48,503	184,583
Tin, bxs.	185,268	45,254
Tin, 2,299 slabs	9,531	16,341
Wire	55,115	8,202
Zinc, lbs.	54	319
Zinc oxide	1	188

The quantity of hardware and metals imported compares with previous dates as follows:

For the week of 1893	Same week of 1892
Cutlery, pgs.	273
Hardware, pgs.	13
Iron, R. R., bars	6,324
Lead, pgs.	3,617
Steel, pgs.	148,297
Tin, bxs.	48,503
Tin slabs, lbs.	185,268

## PHILADELPHIA.

Office of The Iron Age, 220 South Fourth St., PHILADELPHIA, July 2, 1893.

Business during the first half of 1893 has not been very satisfactory, on the whole, and it is probable that profits have been smaller than at any time within the past four years. The volume of business has been large, however, and the past 10 days has developed a much better feeling, so that, whatever the result may be, the immediate indications are certainly of a more favorable character than they were six months ago. The meagerness of profits has been mainly due to the shrinkage in value, but as the turning point appears to have been reached, it is believed that the last half of the year will show at least some improvement on the first half. With the exception of stove founders, consumers of iron in all departments have had a demand for their products quite up to an average of the past three years. Prices have not been as satisfactory, however; neither have orders been so plentiful, and much of the work turned out has been in fulfillment of contracts taken several months ago. The number of hands employed has not varied materially, but the falling off in demand for goods caused a feeling of apprehension that things were growing worse, and that when contracts were completed very little new business would be coming in. This, as might be expected, led to the keenest kind of competition, which, with declining prices, led to a postponement of orders, and as a natural consequence, a further confirmation of the opinion that business was not in a healthy condition. As regards the stove trade, it is believed that with a firm market for iron buyers will come in at once and a full average business be secured before the year closes. The large machine shops report a fair business. Recently there has been a marked improvement, and the indications point to a demand which will compare favorably with that of 1892. The shipyards are employing more men than last year, the locomotive works about the same, and all through the list there is very little difference, except that prices are lower. It is impossible to predict with any certainty what may happen before the year closes, but, as we have already mentioned, the feeling is better, and beyond doubt the improvement is based on confidence in values and a healthy condition of affairs generally. The Tin Plate trade is worth mentioning in this connection. The increase in business during the past six months has been almost phenomenal. For many years Philadelphia has held a leading position in this branch of trade, and while the increase has been remarkable for the past five or six years, at no time has it been so great as within the past six months. Under these conditions there is reason to hope for a healthy business, and while profits may not be altogether what they might be, it is satisfactory to feel that there is no inflation, and therefore no danger of a collapse.

**Pig Iron.**—Until within the past two weeks prices have shown uniform weakness, the decline since January having been about \$4 per ton on Foundry Irons and \$2 on Mill Irons. The reaction of the past 10 days had led to the recovery of about \$1 on the first named and 50¢ on the last, the market closing strong. Sales during last week were unusually heavy, many lots of 500 to 1000 tons each having been taken and several offers to duplicate purchases having been declined. The current of feeling has been completely changed from indifference and apathy to one of lively interest. This may be simply a "spurt," but it has quickened the market wonderfully, the gain within a week being about equal to a month or six weeks' decline. Sales have been on the basis of \$21 @ \$22 delivered for No. 1 Foundry (Southern and Lehigh brands), and \$23 @ \$24.50 for special brands. No. 2 has been in better demand, and has sold fairly at \$19 @ \$20.50, according to character of brand. Sales of both grades have been made at less money, however, but it would be difficult to secure anything to-day of recognized standing at less than the figures above quoted. A considerable business has been done in Mill Irons at prices ranging from \$17.50 up to \$20, delivered, the heaviest sales having been at \$18 @ \$18.50 for good average qualities, the market closing firm, with a hardening tendency. The following, showing average quotations f.o.b. cars at furnace at dates named, will probably be of interest:

No. 1 Foundry	July 1, 1893	Jan. 1893	July 1892
Mill Irons	\$17.50	\$19.50	\$17.50

**Bessemer Pig.**—The past six months has been one of extreme dullness, sales having been almost nil. At the opening of the year \$23 was asked, but prices have gradually weakened to \$21, at which quotation sales have recently been made. The inactivity is due to several causes, but mainly to the fact that cheaper material is absolutely necessary to offset the decline in rails. Another reason is the increased supply of native irons at comparatively low prices, and also prospectively, in anticipation of an increased product of Pig Iron by the Steel companies, who have made extensive purchases of mining lands both in the United States and elsewhere. Spiegelstein was sold somewhat extensively at about \$33.50 for 20¢, and gradually down to \$30.50, with a slightly firmer feeling to-day at about \$31 asked.

**Manufactured Iron.**—The market for Finished Iron has been very unsatisfactory, as a whole, the demand being spasmodic and

uncertain and competition for business unusually close. All descriptions have suffered a decline, averaging about 3.10¢ per lb., prices at this writing being somewhat about the lowest of the entire six months. There is unquestionably a better feeling, however, and with a stronger market for raw material it is quite likely that Finished Iron will begin to show a little improvement. In fact, the feeling that prices are going to be better will do much toward bringing about that result, on the same principle that on a declining market no one buys unless absolutely compelled to do so. The weakness has not been altogether a matter of feeling, however. Some of the heaviest consumers, such as car builders, have done very little so far in 1893, neither has the demand for Tank Iron been anything like it was during 1892. During the past two weeks, however, there have been indications of improvement all around, and it begins to look as though the last half of the year would in some degree make amends for the deficiencies of the first half. Prices at dates named have been as follows:

Bar Iron	July 1892	Jan. 1893	July 1893
Tank Iron	2.60	2.35	2.15

**Steel Rails.**—The market has been very uneventful, and the variation in prices not important, although it has been all in one direction, namely, towards lower prices. The nominal quotation in January was \$40, but sales were made in December at \$38.50, and that has been the average rate during the entire six months, with an occasional concession to \$38. Within the past two weeks prices have been still further shaded, and in one or two instances \$37 @ \$37.50 has been accepted, with additional offers of 10,000-ton lots at \$36.50. Summer and fall deliveries will probably be maintained at \$38, but the chances seem to be in favor of lower prices for winter and spring.

**Scrap.**—Has presented few interesting features during the past six months, and the market during this period may be characterized as quiet, and with a tendency to lower values. At the beginning of January No. 1 Wrought Scrap was quoted at \$26 @ \$27, while really choice grades brought about \$1 more. These figures did not vary much during January and February, but toward the end of March prices weakened from 50¢ to \$1 per ton, and by the end of April \$25 @ \$26 were quoted for extra quality. During May and June prices declined still further, and are now quoted at \$24 @ \$24.50 for selected lots. The following quotations ruled at dates mentioned below: July, 1892, \$26 @ \$27.50; January, 1893, \$26 @ \$27; \$24.50, \$23; June, 1893, \$24 @ \$24.50. Really choice grades have not been reported in oversupply—rather the opposite—during the past six months. Sellers have urged business considerably, but buyers have not been influenced much by concessions offered to them, and have preferred to hold off rather than buy ahead; hence transactions in most cases have been on a small scale.

## CHICAGO.

Office of The Iron Age, 36 and 38 Clark St., CHICAGO, June 30, 1893.

**Hardware.**—Trade in Hardware generally is fair, with firm quotations.

**Nails.**—A good fair demand exists for Nails at \$13.15 per keg for 10d. to 60d. in small lots, with an additional 10¢ off for carload lots and 2¢ for cash; some few sales are, however, reported at \$3 for carload lots.

**Manufactured Iron.**—We have no material change to note; the demand continues fair and present quotations are firm, as follows: Bar, 2.15¢ @ 2.25¢ rates; Angle, 3¢ @ 3.2¢ rates; T Iron, 4¢ rates; Beams, 3.8¢; Channels, 4¢; Sheet Iron, 9¢ to 14 gauge, at 3¢ rates; 15 to 17 d., at 3.3¢; 18 to 21 d., at 3.6¢; 22 to 24 d., at 3.8¢; 25 to 26 d., 4¢; 27 d., 4.2¢. These quotations would be shaded 1-10th to 2-10ths of a cent per pound on large lots. Norway Original Bars, 4 1/2¢ rates; Norway Rolled Bars, 5 1/2¢ rates; Ulster, 4 1/2¢ rates; Low Moor Iron, 8¢ rates; Nuts and Washers, 8 1/2¢ off list; Wrought Boat Spikes, 2.9¢ rates.

**Pig Iron.**—While inquiry for Pig Iron of all kinds may be considered good, the orders actually placed are of a hand-to-mouth character only; the market, however, indicates a firmer tone. Scotch Imported is very firm at \$27 @ 28. Freight has advanced. We quote Lake Superior Charcoal, Nos. 1, 2 and 3, \$23, and Nos. 4, 5 and 6, \$24.50; Briar Hill, \$25; Himrod, \$23; Crane, No. 1, \$25; No. 2, \$24; Thomas, \$24 @ \$25.50; American Scotch, \$22 @ \$25; Du Val, No. 1, \$23.50; No. 2, \$22.50; Fulton Notch, No. 1, \$22.50; No. 2, \$21.50; Calumet, \$23 @ \$23.50, 4 mos.; Southern Coke, No. 1, \$23; No. 2, \$22.35; Low Moor, No. 1, \$24; No. 2, \$22.75, 4 mos.; Slippery Soft, \$21 @ \$22.

**Steel.**—A fair trade is reported in Tool Machinery and Agricultural Steel, while quotations remain unchanged: Tool, 11 1/2¢; Machinery O. H., 5¢; Crucible Machinery, 7¢; Hammer, 2 inches and under, 8¢; over 2 inches, 9¢; Cast Spring, 6¢, and O. H. Spring, Tire and Sleigh Shoe, 5¢; Sheet, first, second and third quality, 12¢, 10 1/2¢ and 8 1/2¢ respectively; Crucible Plow, 6¢; Eagle Plow, 5¢; Iron Center Plow, 9 1/2¢; and Soft Steel Center Plow, 9 1/2¢; Cast Plow, 5¢; German Plow, 4 1/2¢.

**Scrap Iron.**—The Scrap Iron market continues dull and weak. We quote as follows, which are dealers' purchasing prices: No. 1 Country Wrought Scrap, \$1 net ton, \$17; No. 1 Cast Scrap, \$1 ton, \$15; No. 1 Store Plate Scrap, \$1 ton, \$10; Machine Shop Wrought Turnings, \$1 ton, \$9; Cast Iron Borings, \$7; Old Plows and Plow Steel, \$11; Malleable Scrap, \$5.

**EVERETT & POST, 156 Lake street, Chicago,** report to us as follows, under date of June 30, 1893: **Connellsville Foundry Coke.**—The demand for Connellsville Foundry coke continues good, the trade generally availing themselves of ruling low prices to stock up. Prices nominally \$5 @ \$5.15, according to quality and delivery. **Pig Lead.**—The past week has developed considerable firmness in pig lead, consequent upon an increased demand, principally for future delivery. Sales of some 600 tons Common and Refined have been made at parity \$4.15 @ \$4.17 1/2, and 75 tons Refined lately at \$4.20.

## CHATTANOOGA.

Office of The Iron Age, Market and 8th Sts., CHATTANOOGA, July 2, 1893.

The season of summer dullness is upon us in its fullness. The preparations for Fourth of July celebrations in all the large towns and cities of the section give an air of bustle and business activity. Beyond this there is nearly nothing doing in any line of trade. Production is at its lowest ebb in most lines. The Nail trade and a few exceptional articles only show any signs of life. The cool weather of the early days of the week have been succeeded by high temperature, accompanied by warm, drying breezes. Rain is needed badly in some parts of the South; crops are suffering severely.

**Pig Iron.**—There is nothing new or interesting in the market. Trade is confined to small lots at such prices as can be obtained, generally slightly below quotations. We quote No. 1 Foundry, \$19 @ \$20; No. 2 Foundry, \$18 @ \$19; Gray Forge, \$16 @ \$17; White and Mottled, \$14 @ \$15; Car-wheel Metal, \$24 @ \$26.

**Ores.**—We quote 50¢ Brown Hematite, \$2 ton, \$2 @ \$2.75; Red Fossil, \$2 @ \$2.25, delivered at furnace.

**Miscellaneous Articles.**—Old Rails continue rather slow at \$22. There is some demand for shipping account, but it grows lighter as the season progresses. We quote Wrought Scrap, \$18 @ \$22; Cast Scrap, \$11 @ \$14; Old Wheels, nominal, \$22.

**Nails.**—The action of the Western Association in continuing the mills through July has so far had no depressing effect on the Southern market. We quote them steady at \$3 for large bills, usual discounts for cash; \$1 @ 15¢ higher for job lots.

**Manufactured Iron.**—Bar is dull at \$2 for large bills, assorted sizes; A fair show of orders is reported for Track Supplies, and no change in quotations. Spikes, \$2.70; Track Bolts, \$3.20; Fish Plate, \$2.

**Coal.**—We quote Fancy Lump, \$3; Common, \$2.50; run of mine to manufacturers, \$1.75 at mills.

**Coke.**—The blowing out of furnaces has had but slight effect on the price of Coke, as the supply has been materially shortened. We continue to quote at \$3 at furnaces; Foundry, 10¢ @ 12¢ per bushel.

## LOUISVILLE.

GEO. H. HULL & Co., Commission Merchants, report to us as follows, under date of June 30, 1893: The market is steady, with a moderate demand for all grades of Hot-blast Irons. Car-wheel Irons are quiet. We quote, for cash, in round lots, as below:

FOUNDRY IRON.	
No. 1 Hanging Rock Charcoal	\$25.00 @ 26.00
No. 1 Southern Charcoal	21.50 @ 22.00
No. 1 Hanging Rock Stonecoal and Coke	20.50 @ 21.00
No. 2 Southern Stonecoal and Coke	20.50 @ 21.00
No. 2	19.00 @ 19.50
"American Scotch"	19.00 @ 20.00
Open Silver-gray	18.00 @ 19.00
Close	17.00 @ 18.00

MILL IRONS.	
No. 1 Charcoal	20.00 @ 20.50
No. 1 Stonecoal and Coke, Neutral	18.50 @ 19.00
No. 2	17.00 @ 17.50
No. 1	17.50 @ 18.00
No. 2	16.50 @ 17.00
White and Mottled, Cold-short and Neutral	15.50 @ 16.00

CAR WHEEL IRONS.	
Hanging Rock, Cold-blast	32.00 @ 35.00
"Warm-blast	25.00 @ 27.00
Alabama and Georgia, Warm and Cold-blast	27.00 @ 28.00
Central Kentucky, Cold-blast	25.00 @ 26.00

**W. B. BELKNAP & Co., Iron and Steel Merchants, Nos. 115 to 121 West Main street,** report to us as follows, under date of June 30, 1893: Bars are dull. The hull in trade predicted in event of the failure of the proposed Juile lockout has shown up most decidedly, and there is apparently nothing to do but to wait for future developments, which, prospectively, are not over encouraging. At the same time there is no great pushing of product on the market, principally, we think, from the conviction on the part of the manufacturers that it would do no good. The extreme low prices have led to the use of inferior stock by some mills, and Muck Iron is not up to the ordinary standard for the trade. A poor quality of Old Rails is, we think, responsible for this. Hoop and Band are in light demand. Sheet is somewhat better. The light gauges are being contracted for, deliveries running through two or three months. There is fair call also for the heavier gauges. Nails are ostensibly held up to card by the association, but instead of stopping July 1st, as was voted a short time since, the time has now been extended till July 15th, and it is evident there is an indefinite elasticity to the limit. The mills seem bound to wait till some bad demoralization manifests itself and then, if not too late, try to correct it. We venture to predict that if the mills run full till July 15th, the present quoted price will not only not be maintained, but it will be lost past immediate recovery. **Wire.**—The Barb Wire situation is practically unchanged. The difference of opinion among the Barb Wire manufacturers as to whether further royalty should be paid, and if so, how much, leaves the market, as it has been, much unsettled. It is hard to say just where bottom is. Plain Wire is also somewhat off. With all this to face, there is prospect of a good crop of the various grains. Early vegetables have already put cash in the farmer's pocket, which was not empty before, and the purchasing power of the large consuming classes is not diminished. It seems strange that such a shrinkage in values as we are experiencing in the Iron business should occur at all while the currency is undergoing constant inflation.

## ST. LOUIS.

**HOPPER & Co., Pig Iron and Iron Ore Merchants, 214 Pine street,** report to us as follows, under date of June 30, 1893: The market remains in the same condition as last reported, and with little prospect for better prices in the near future. We quote:

HOT BLAST CHARCOAL IRONS.	
Missouri	\$20.00 @ 20.50
Southern	20.00 @ 20.50
Ohio	20.00 @ 20.50
COAL AND COKE IRONS.	
Missouri	20.00 @ 20.50
Southern	18.50 @ 20.00
Ohio	20.00 @ 20.50

MILL IRONS.	
Red Short	18.40 @ 20.00
Neutral	17.00 @ 18.00
CAR WHEEL AND MALLEABLE IRONS.	
Missouri	21.00 @ 22.00
Southern	25.00 @ 26.00
Ohio	23.00 @ 24.00

## BALTIMORE.

**W. N. WYETH, Iron and Steel Merchant,** 46 and 48 South Charles street, reports us following, under date of July 2, 1893: Business for the past week has ruled somewhat more quiet, though, as a whole, satisfactory for the season. Values continue unchanged, but shaded for desirable specifications.

Ref. Bar Iron, 1 to 6 x 3 1/2 to 1 1/2	2 1/2 @ 2 3/4
" " 1 to 4 1/2 x 1 1/2 to 1 1/2	2 1/2 @ 2 3/4
" " 3/4 to 2, Round	2 1/2 @ 2 3/4
and Square	2 1/2 @ 2 3/4
Hoop Iron, 1 1/2 wide and upward	3 1/2 @ 3 3/4
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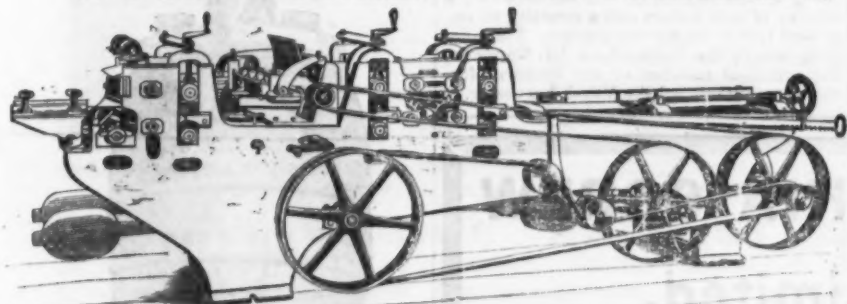
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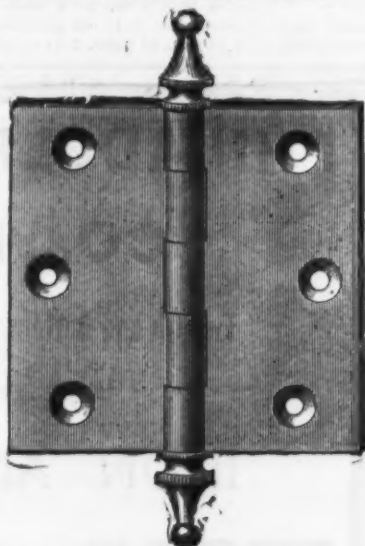
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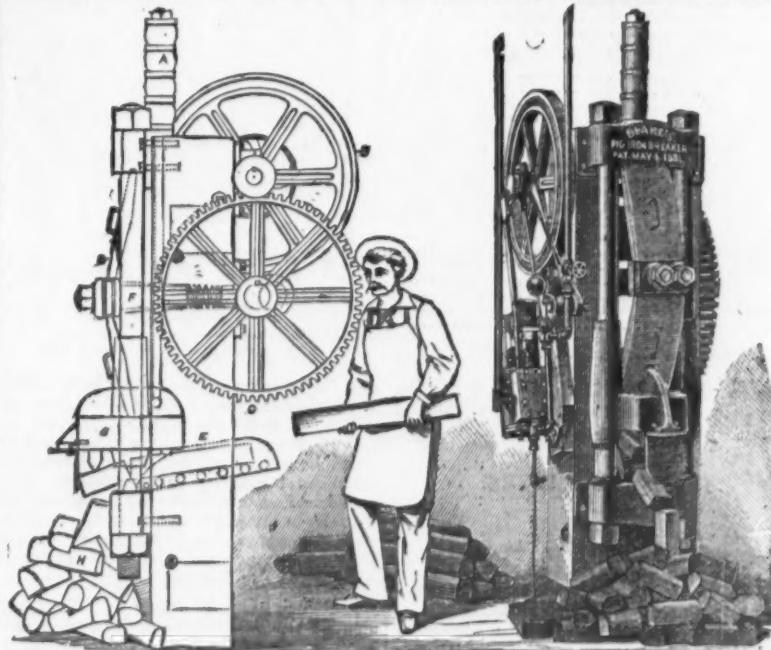
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### Failures for the Second Quarter of 1886.

The number of mercantile failures reported to *Bradstreet's* in the second quarter of the current calendar year, April 1 to June 30, shows a considerable decrease as compared with the first three months of the year, but a striking increase when comparison is made with the second quarter of 1885. The average number of failures occurring each week in the first quarter of 1885 was 245; in the second quarter, 162; in the first quarter of 1886, 165; in the second quarter of 1886 the average number of failures each week was 115. As previously pointed out, January 1 being the date of balance sheets and general settlements, the number of failures in the last and first quarters of each year is uniformly larger than in the other quarters. The following table shows the failures, with assets and liabilities, for the first and second quarters of 1885:

	No.	Assets.	Liabilities.
First quarter 1885	3,649	\$12,066,174	\$23,375,345
Second quarter 1885	2,107	\$6,126,760	\$11,562,307

The average liabilities of each failing trader for the first quarter were \$13,240, and for the second quarter \$14,979. The percentage of assets to liabilities for the first quarter of 1885 was 56; for the second quarter, 48. The following table shows the failures for the second quarter of 1886 and 1885:

	No.	Assets.	Liabilities.
Second quarter 1886	1,203	\$3,066,174	\$5,375,345
Second quarter 1885	2,107	\$6,126,760	\$11,562,307

For the second quarter of 1886, the average liabilities of such failing traders were \$15,551, and the percentage of assets to liabilities, 52. The following table shows the failures for the first six months of 1886 and 1885 respectively:

	No.	Assets.	Liabilities.
1886	3,649	\$12,066,174	\$23,375,345
1885	5,256	\$17,192,765	\$34,937,652

The increase for the last six months in the number of failures is 1647, or 45 per cent. The average of liabilities for the first six months of 1886 was \$14,360, and for the last six months, \$13,900. The percentage of assets to liabilities for the first and second quarters of 1886, respectively, is 56 and 48; for the second quarter of 1885, 52 per cent. For the first six months of 1886 the percentage of assets to liabilities was 53, and for the first six months of 1885, 54 per cent. The failures in Canada and the Provinces for the last quarter number 337, against 409 in the first quarter of the year and 137 in the second quarter of 1885. The table showing the failures for the last six months by trades:

#### FAILURES BY TRADES.

Divisions.	Northeastern States.	Middle States.	Southern States.	Western States.	Pacific States.	Territories.	Total, United States.	Canada and Provinces.
Agricultural implements.....	1	6	6	18	.....	1	30	3
Bakers.....	12	30	5	30	7	.....	44	9
Banks and bankers.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Blacksmiths.....	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	3
Boots and shoes.....	53	78	88	80	22	.....	258	43
Brewers and maltsters.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Brokers.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Carpets, oil cloths, &c.....	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	.....
Carpenters, builders, masons and contractors.....	16	9	.....	10	9	.....	59	6
Carriages and wagons.....	8	6	7	7	.....	.....	33	.....
Clothing, cloths, &c.....	31	60	97	122	17	.....	266	10
Coal and wood.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Cotton.....	1	5	13	.....	.....	.....	18	.....
Crockery, glassware, &c.....	7	14	13	11	4	.....	49	5
Drugs and chemicals.....	25	42	30	60	7	.....	170	16
Dry and fancy goods.....	44	67	60	100	13	.....	280	76
Fish, meat, &c.....	14	13	7	4	32	.....	68	3
Florida.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Furniture and undertakers.....	11	28	10	27	5	.....	84	6
General stores.....	74	107	409	240	71	.....	933	165
Gents' furnishing.....	19	31	.....	13	8	.....	70	9
Grain.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Grocers and confectioners.....	131	161	180	277	38	.....	799	108
Hardware, iron, steel, &c.....	27	40	14	77	7	.....	171	24
Hats, caps and furs.....	8	24	7	17	1	.....	57	7
Hides, leather and harness.....	14	32	10	27	7	.....	86	16
Hotels and restaurants.....	19	34	.....	28	22	.....	113	18
House furnishing.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Liquors, wines, saloons, &c.....	28	40	52	69	40	.....	234	17
Lumber, builders' material, &c.....	14	34	11	15	4	.....	68	13
Machinery.....	9	6	3	3	1	.....	25	3
Marble.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Metals.....	1	5	3	5	.....	.....	13	3
Millers.....	7	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	6
Millinery and straw goods.....	2	24	58	30	10	.....	129	24
Miscellaneous.....	78	103	23	108	37	.....	382	49
Music, musical instruments, &c.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Oil, paints, &c.....	3	11	2	3	.....	.....	26	.....
Paper, books and binders, stationery, printers, &c.....	23	44	32	33	4	.....	135	17
Pictures, photographers, artists' materials, &c.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....
Plumbers.....	8	7	3	3	1	.....	29	.....
Produce, provisions, fruits, &c.....	37	38	10	25	25	.....	141	10
Rubber goods.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Tobacco and cigars.....	14	35	25	36	16	.....	126	10
Toys, notions, &c.....	3	13	10	20	.....	.....	46	1
Watches, jewelry, &c.....	15	38	23	51	10	.....	142	14
Wood and willow ware.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wood.....	6	4	1	7	.....	.....	18	3
Totals.....	767	1,215	1,162	1,623	427	104	5,296	746

reveals the now familiar fact that by far the greater part of the trade disasters are among small retail dealers.

#### INDUSTRIAL ITEMS.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE.**  
The capital of the Portsmouth Machine Co. is fixed at \$130,000.

**MASSACHUSETTS.**  
The Hopedale Machine Co. are building 100 new stocking looms for the Shaw Stocking Co., of Lowell.

It is understood that Worcester men holding valuable patents for the manufacture of wire cloth have been looking over Palmer with a view to establishing there.—*Boston Commercial Bulletin.*

At Worcester, Messrs. C. Stewart & Son are making and have orders for steel boilers from more than a dozen different places in and out of New England. They use the "Nashua" brand of steel, made at Nashua, N. H., which is stamped 60,000 pounds tensile strain, and equal to the best.

The business of the Jarvis Furnace Co. and the New England agencies of the Korting injector, Armington & Sims Co. engines, Sheffield grate bars and Schutte & Goehring's jet instruments, will in the future be conducted by a stock company organized under the State laws of Massachusetts, with a capital of \$100,000. This company will do business under the name and style of Jarvis Engineering Co. They will not only take charge of the old agencies, but they will do general engineering and contracting business in putting in steam plants for all kinds of

manufacturing purposes. Mr. K. M. Jarvis, of Boston, will be president; A. F. Upton, of Boston, treasurer and general manager. The directors will be K. M. Jarvis, A. F. Upton, L. B. Wright, Boston, Mass.; H. A. Glasier, Springfield, Mass.; F. H. Pond, St. Louis, Mo., and J. A. Grant, secretary and clerk.

The Curtis Regulator Co., of Boston, have lately received an order from the Manchester Mills for 13 Curtis steam traps. This is the third order for traps that the company have received from these mills.

#### CONNECTICUT.

The Yale & Towne Mfg. Co., Stamford, have received 22 patents, 20 of these being on the application of Mr. Emory, and covering the scales, gauges and testing machines which the company are about to manufacture. This is, perhaps, one of the most important issues of patents in a single batch which has ever come out of the Patent Office. It is certainly so in the classes to which the patents relate. Patents were also issued simultaneously in England, France, Germany and all important European countries, as well as in the principal English Colonies.

A new concern is to be started at Higganum, to be known as the Russell Hardware Co. The capital stock of \$150,000 is mostly subscribed. It controls a number of valuable patents.

The Pratt & Cady Co., manufacturers of steam-boiler appliances, at Hartford, are building a new factory, 140 x 40 feet, and two stories high, with a brass foundry, 60 x 30. It is expected to be done in August.

#### PENNSYLVANIA.

Rebecca Furnace, of the Kittanning Iron Co., has been blown out.

The Wetherill Steel Casting Co., of South Chester, has been incorporated; capital, \$50,000.

No new developments are apparent in the case of the Bethlehem Iron Co.'s labor difficulties.

A decision of the Court in re the Glen Rolling Mill Co. holds that the attaching creditors must be paid out of the funds in hand, and the balance, if any, be divided among the general creditors.

Muck bar will be made this week at the new Danville nail works.

The Elkins Mfg. and Gas Co., of 617 and 619 street, Philadelphia, have issued a

injured. One piece of the machinery, weighing 150 pounds, was thrown over 50 feet. The breakdown caused a portion of the mill to stop.

Hubbard, Bakewell & Co., shovel manufacturers, have determined to bring suit against the city for damages, because the grade of the street by their mill has been changed, leaving their first floor 10 feet underground. They will ask the city to either raise their mill to a level with the street, or buy the mill at its appraised value.

#### OHIO.

The Youngstown Car Mfg. Co. was organized on June 23d, with a capital of \$100,000. L. E. Cochran is president, B. F. Boyd secretary and treasurer, and Andrew Milliken general manager. The new concern takes charge of the business of the Youngstown Car Works, which has been doing a successful business there for three years.

Mr. Fayette Brown, receiver of Brown, Bonnell & Co., has filed a statement with the clerk of the United States Circuit Court, which shows the receipts and disbursements for the month of May, 1886, as follows: Balance as reported, \$31,358.75; receipts in May, \$185,057.08; total, \$216,416.23; disbursements, \$179,250.46; balance June 1, \$37,165.74.

The gas excitement is spreading in Martin's Ferry, and strong efforts are being made to get a successful well.

A fire in the office and warehouse of the Crescent Iron Works, of Watson County, at Pomeroy, damaged them about \$3000. The loss is covered by insurance.

Eight of the 16 boiling furnaces at the new Kelly Nail Mill, at Ironton, are completed.

The rod mill of the Cleveland Rolling Mill Co. is turning out more work at present than ever before. Over 60,000 pounds of metal are used in a day of nine hours and made into rods.

The Ohio Iron and Steel Co.'s furnace, at Lowellville, has been repaired and blown in.

C. Westlake & Co., of Warren, are running their mill double turn in both bar and muck-iron departments.

The Lane & Woodworth Glass Roofing Co., Youngstown, are producing 4 tons of roofing every day.

#### VIRGINIA.

The Virginians states that the Shenandoah Iron Co., at Milnes Station, Shenandoah Valley Railroad, have their Gem and No. 2 blast furnaces, their forge and their Fox Mountain, Kimball and Boyer iron ore mines all in steady and successful operation. At these three mines from 150 to 160 men are employed, mining over 200 tons of ore daily. Gem Furnace had a fair run in April, making 1,635 tons of pig—an average of 54.5 tons a day—about evenly divided between grades 1, 2, and 3. To make this iron, 2580 tons of coke, 3945 of ore, and 2043 of limestone were used, or 1.55 tons of coke, 2.41 of ore,

and 1.25 tons of limestone were required to make one ton of pig. Furnace No. 2 produced 211 tons of charcoal pig iron in April, using 21,525 bushels of charcoal, 520 tons of ore and 100 tons of limestone, or 102 bushels of charcoal, 2.46 tons of ore, and 0.47 of a ton of limestone to the ton of pig iron made. The Forge made 120 tons of charcoal bloom. Within the past year this company have laid out about 40 acres in building lots, 50 x 150 feet in size, with avenues 70 feet and streets 25 feet wide, and more than 50 new houses, stores, &c., were erected, and more are now in course of construction. It is now proposed to supply this thriving town with water brought three miles in a pipe from the Blue Ridge, where an ample supply of pure water can be had with a head of over 300 feet. A charter has been obtained for a machine works and foundry company, which it is expected will soon begin operations.

#### WEST VIRGINIA.

A well being sunk for natural gas by the Central Glass Works Co., of Wheeling, at a depth of 840 feet, after piercing a thick vein of sand rock, struck a strong flow of gas. It was conducted from the mouth of the well in pipes and lighted, making a blaze 30 feet high. The gas will be used for fuel in the glass house. This is the fourth well which has been successfully drilled through to a gas vein.

#### MISSOURI.

Among the manufacturing establishments of St. Louis that have been compelled to shut down on account of the high river are the French Window-Glass Co., the Missouri Car and Foundry Co., the St. Louis Stamping Co., the Glendale Zinc Co., the St. Louis Ore and Steel Co., and W. Eliot Smith's glass works.

The Standard Galvanizing Co., of St. Louis, have recently completed an addition to their works, which will be used for storage purposes.

The Helmbacher Forge and Rolling Mill Co., of St. Louis, have added another hammer to their works, which makes their plant now six hammers. They have also put in a new 75-ton testing machine.

#### WISCONSIN.

Duluth Furnace has gone out of blast, and from the fact that the company have leased their deck to a firm of coal dealers who are now using it in their business, it may be inferred that they will hardly blow the furnace again this season.

#### ILLINOIS.

The Plano Mfg. Co., makers of harvesters, twine binders and mowers, at Plano, have begun a number of improvements in connection with their works. These consist of a foundry of two wings, each 120 x 60 feet in plan, a new engine of 400 horse-power, a battery of four boilers and a quantity of improved iron-working machinery. The company occupy the shops where Mr. Gammon, the principal member of the concern, formerly manufactured the Marsh harvester.

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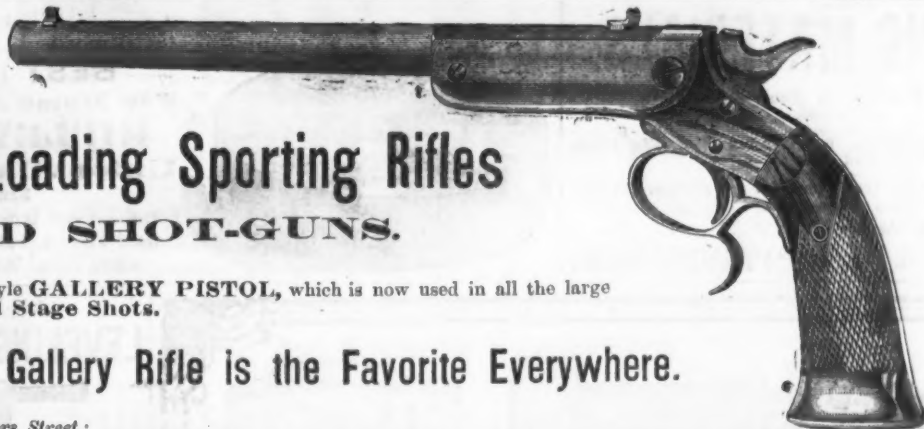
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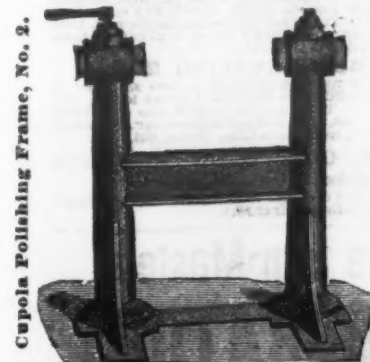
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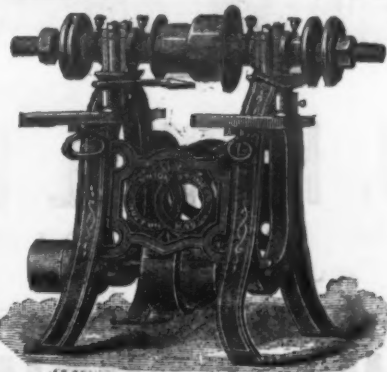
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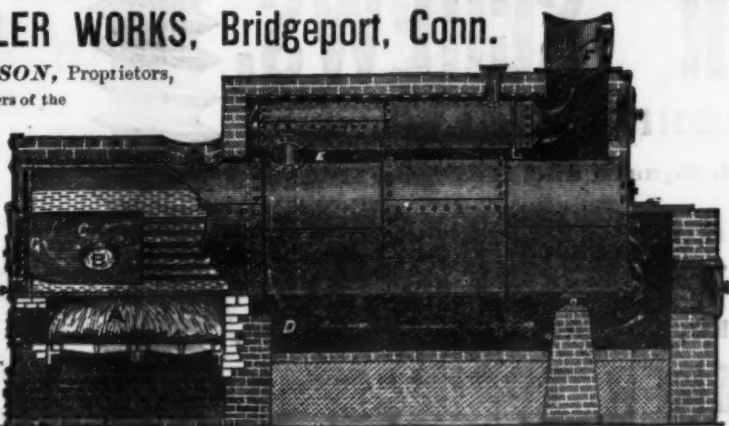


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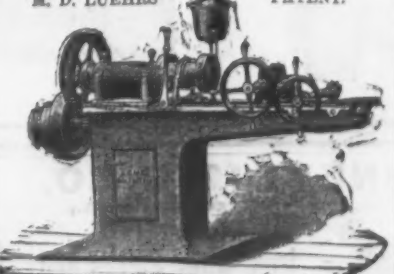
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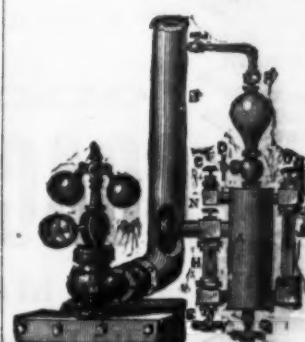
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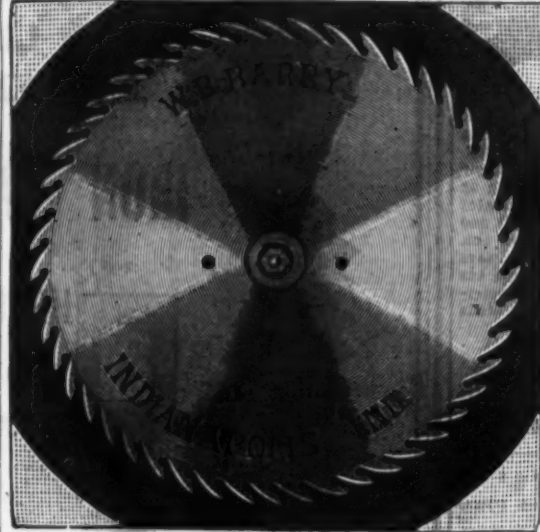
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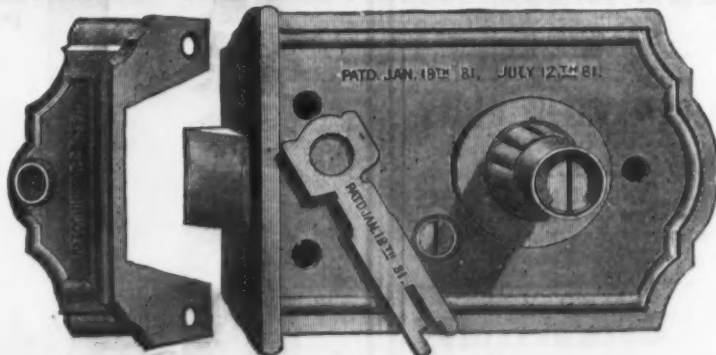
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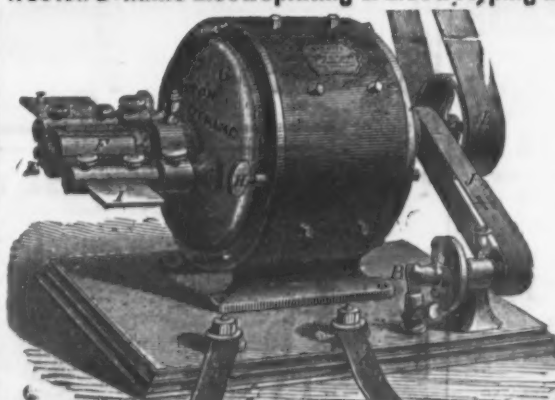
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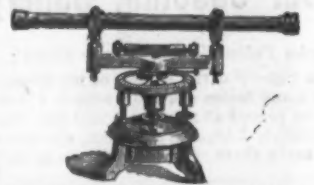


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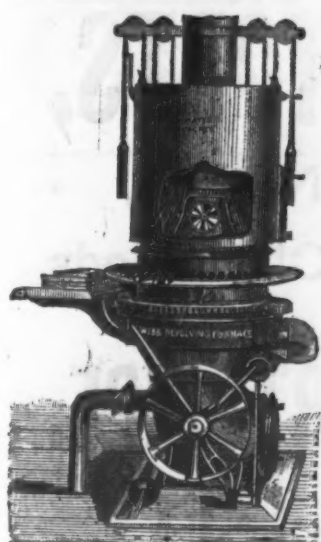
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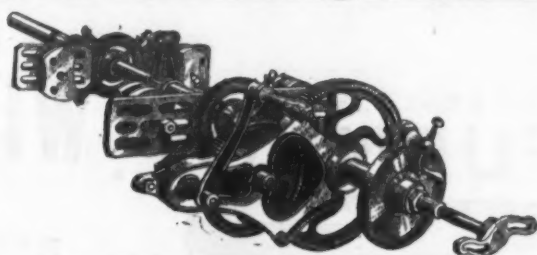
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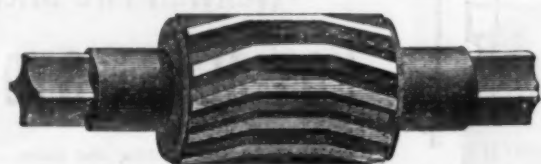
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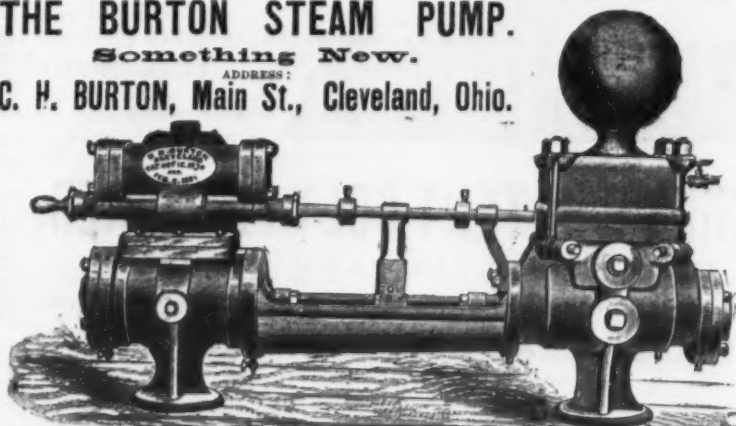
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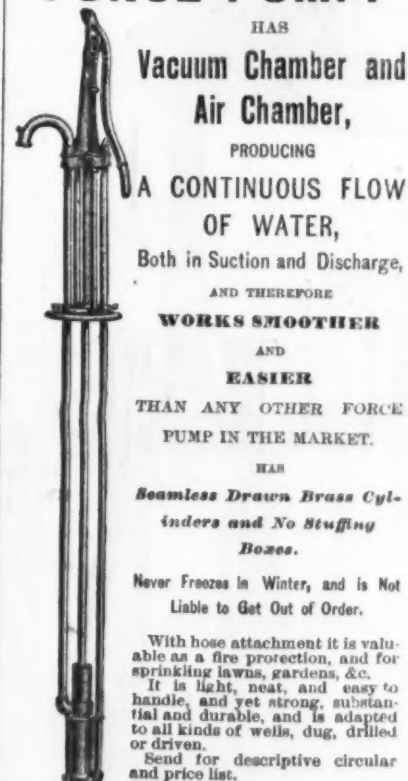


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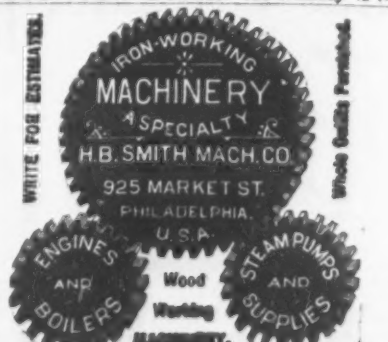
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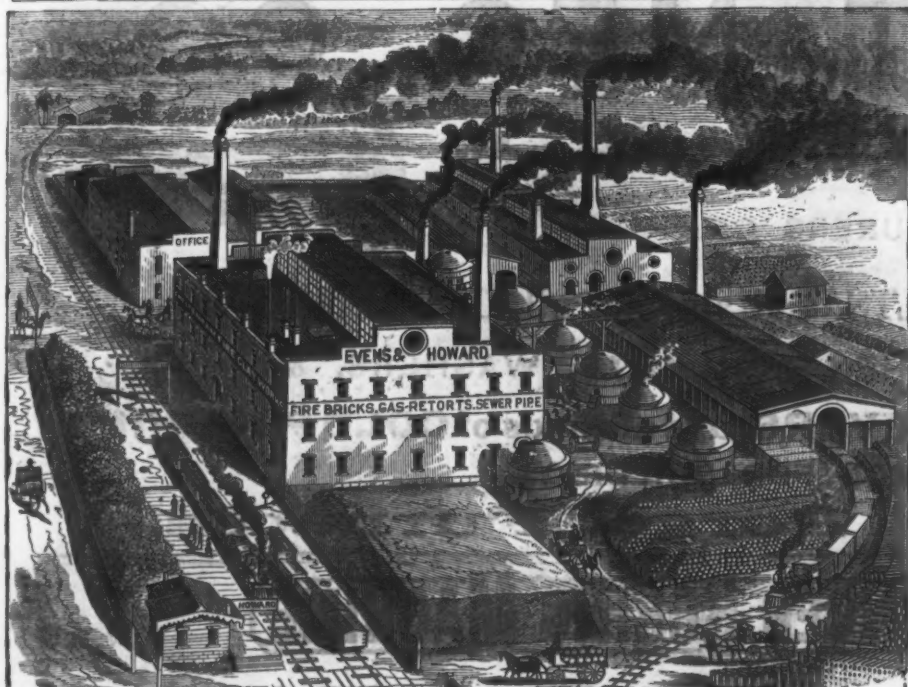
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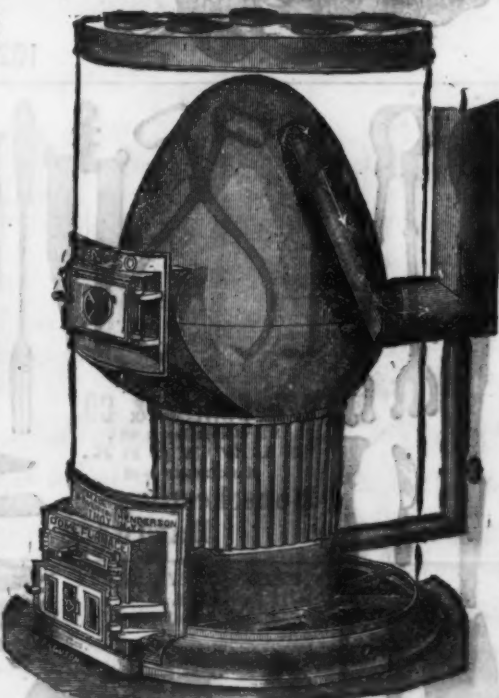
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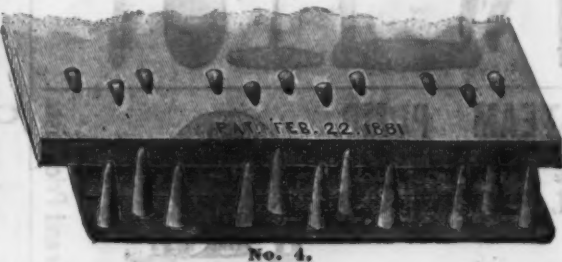
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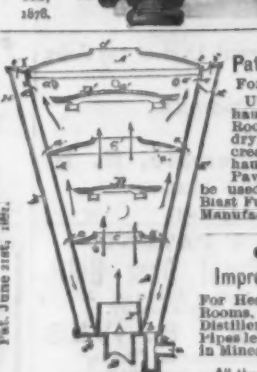
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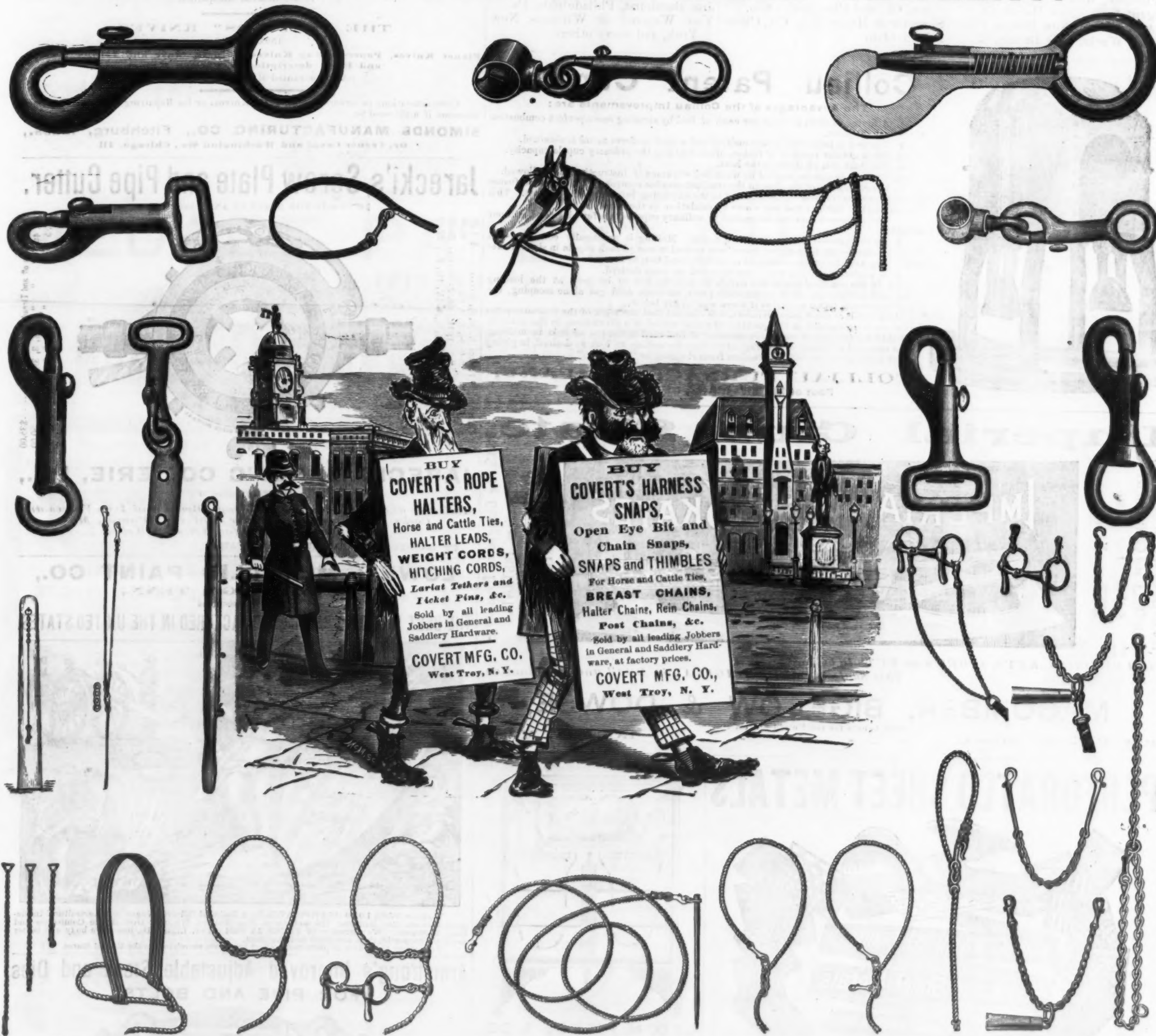
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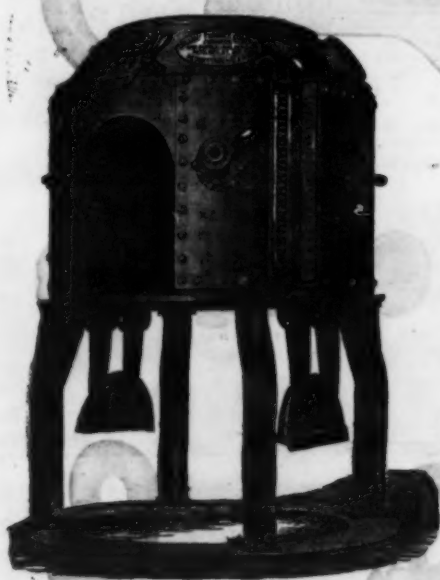
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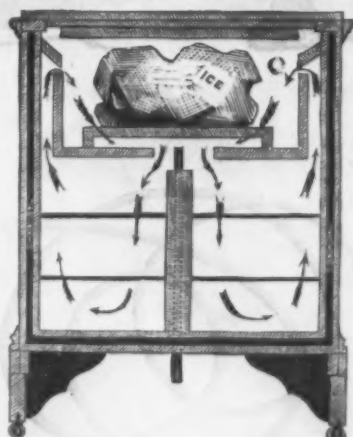
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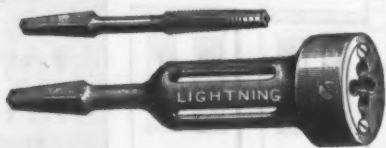
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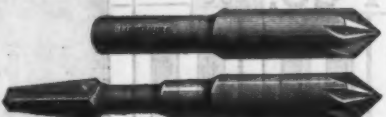
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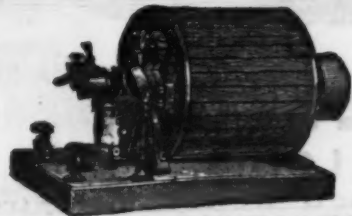
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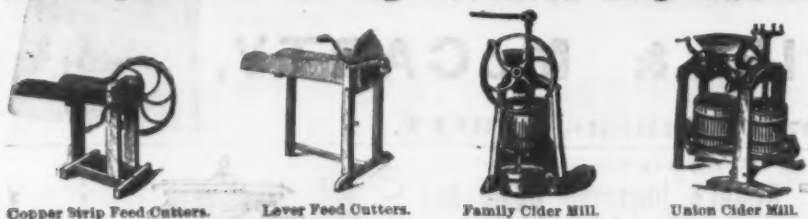
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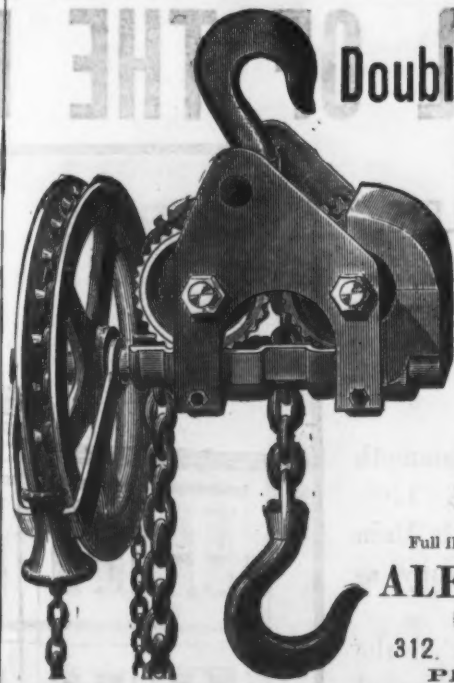
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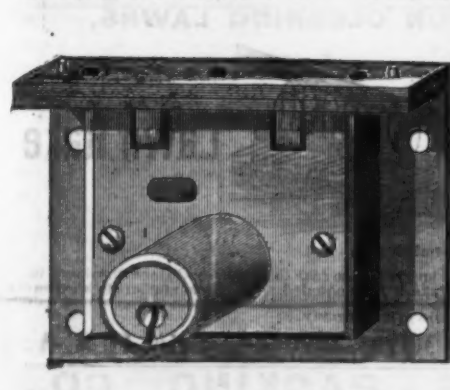
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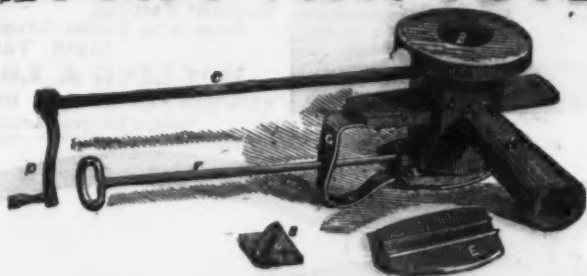


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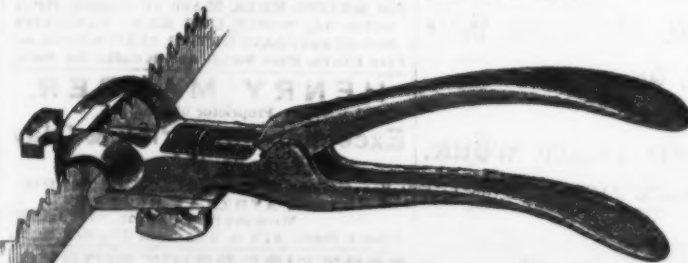
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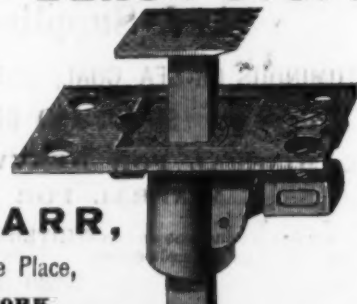


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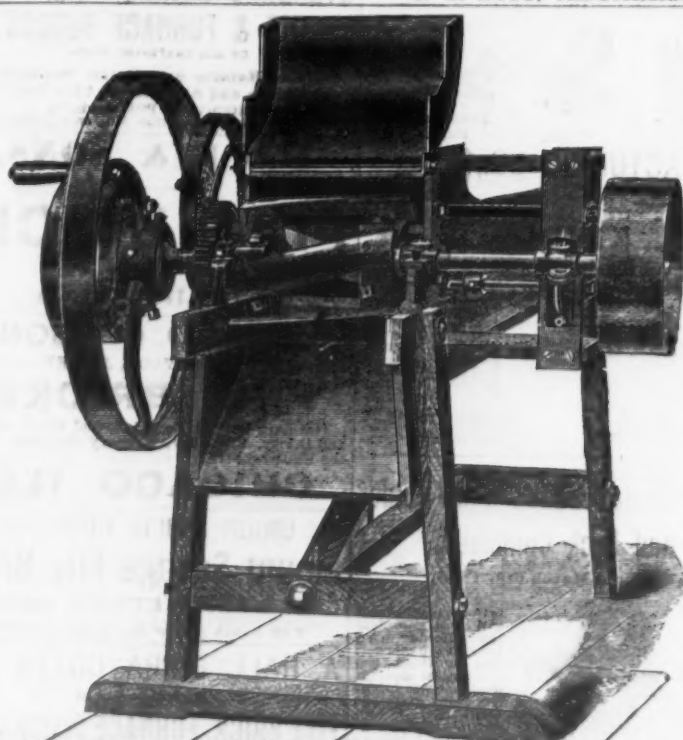
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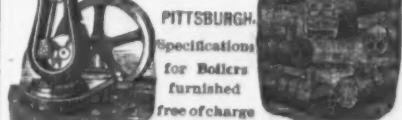
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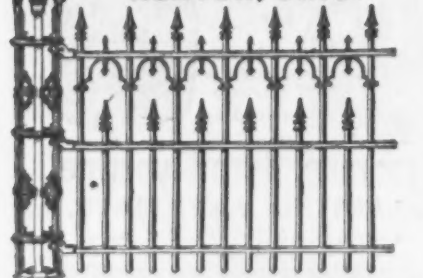
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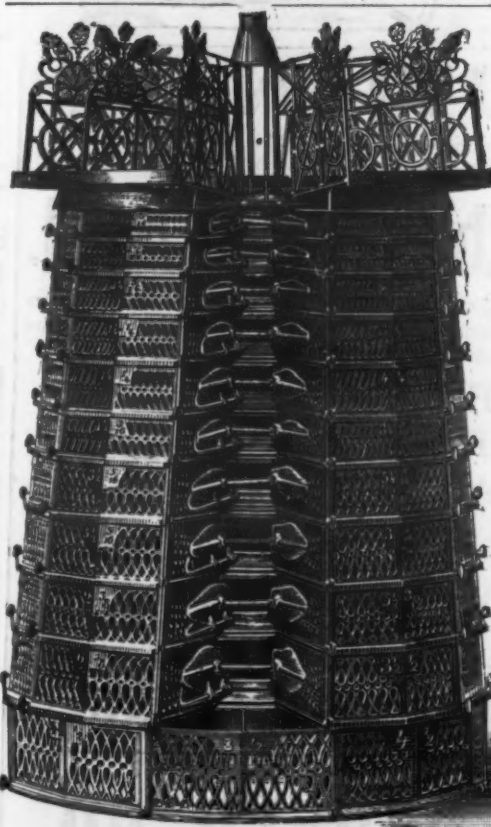
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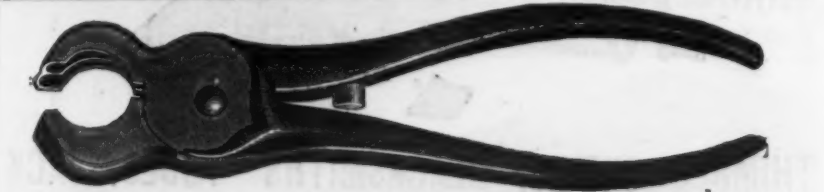
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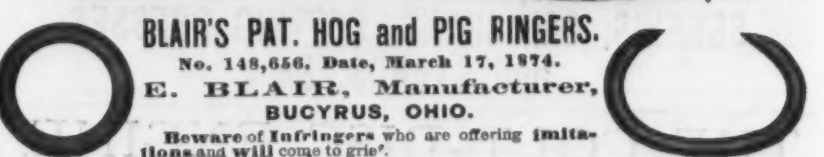


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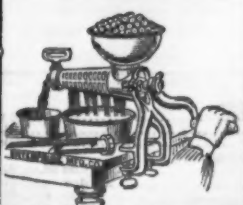



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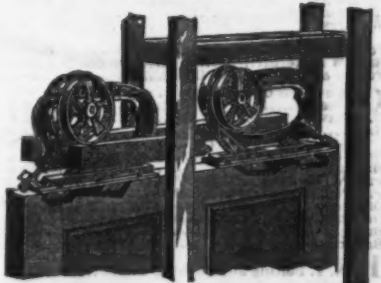
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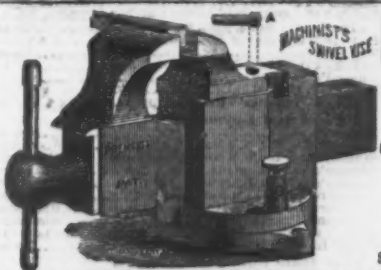
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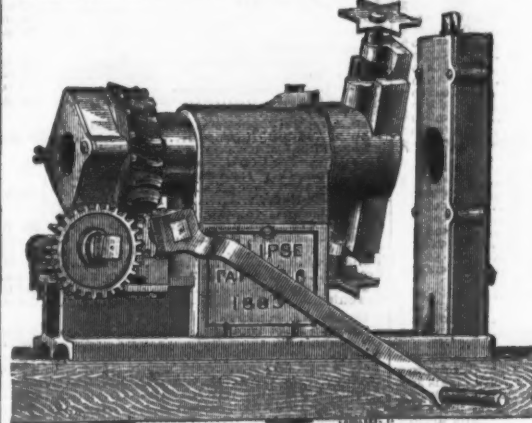
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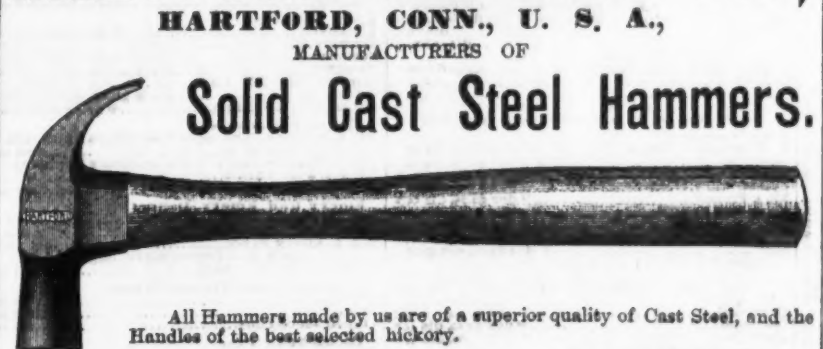
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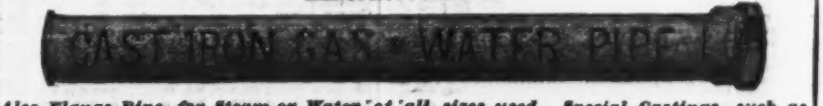
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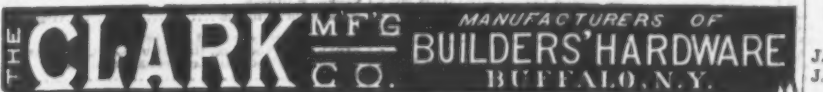
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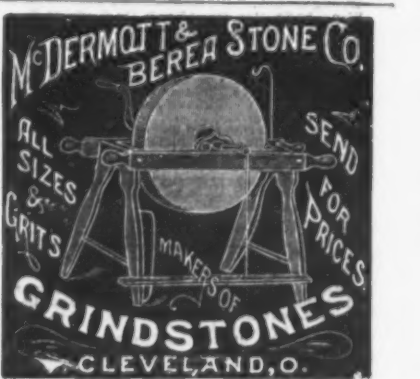
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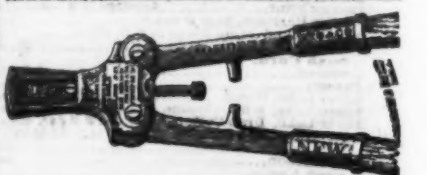
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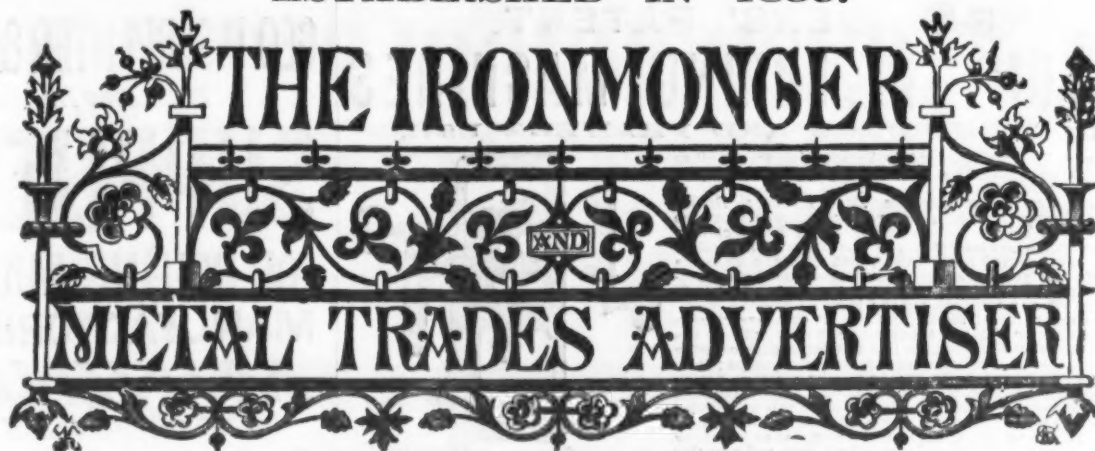
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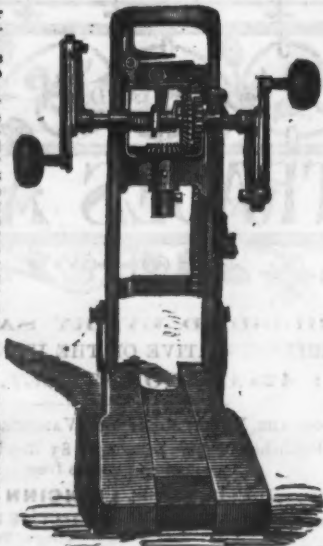
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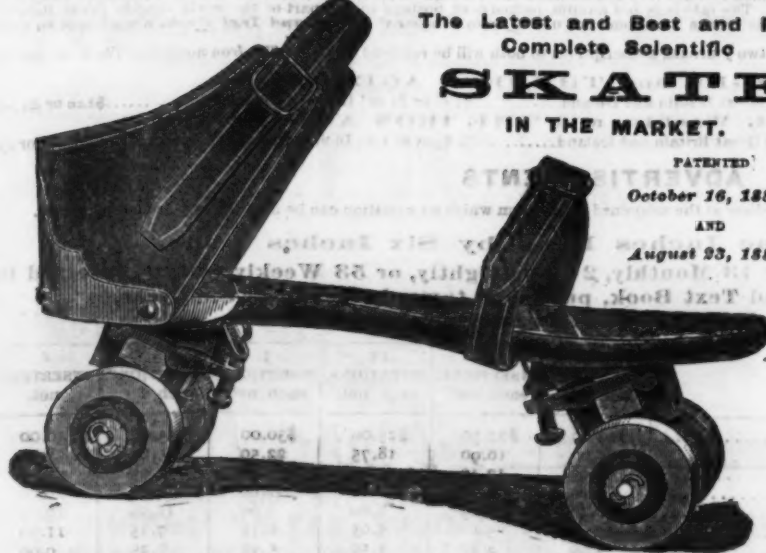
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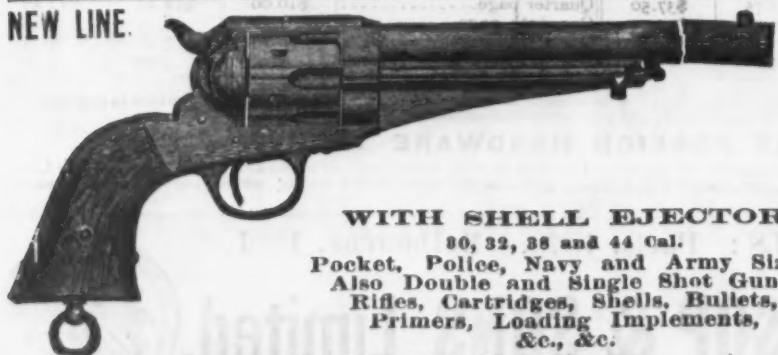
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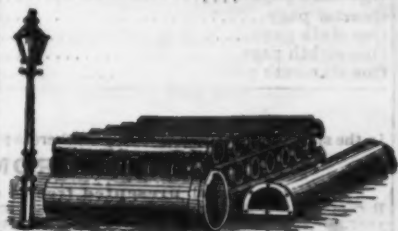
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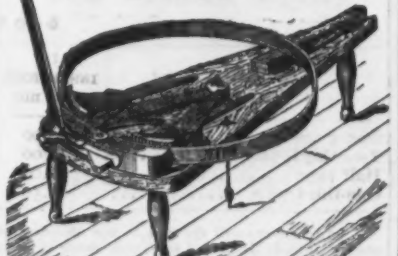
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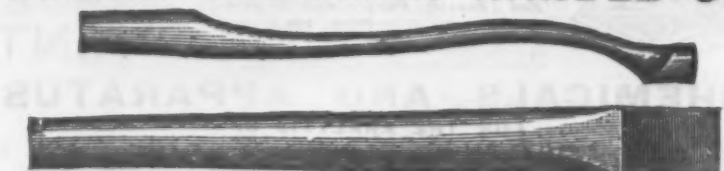
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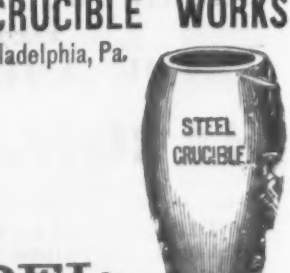
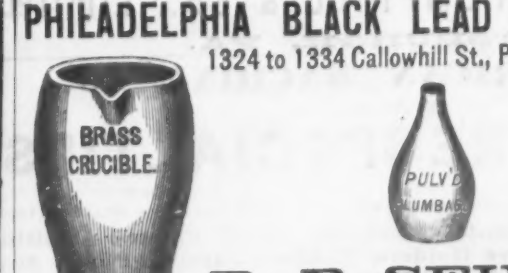
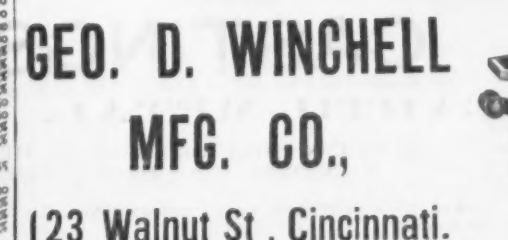
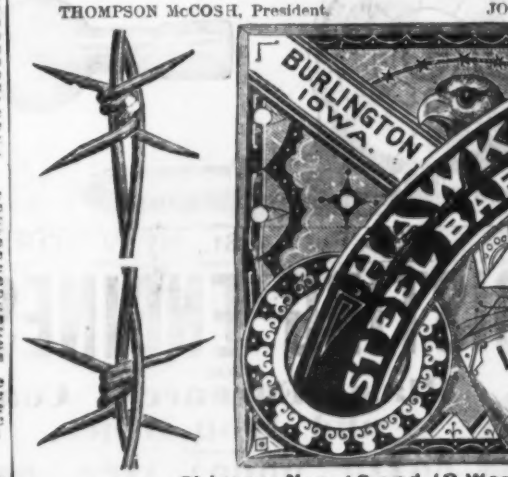
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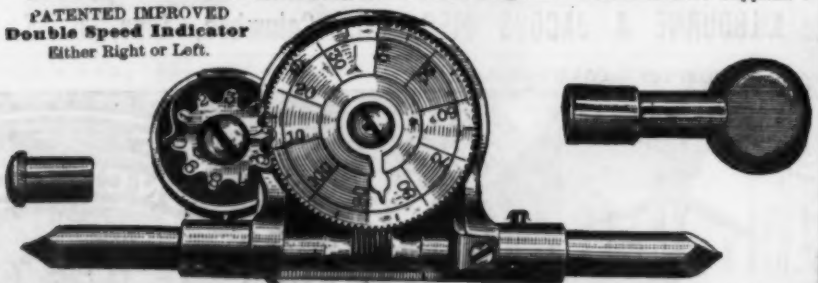
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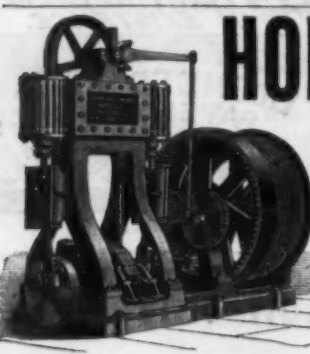
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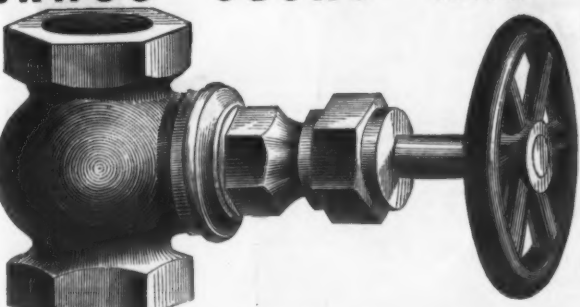
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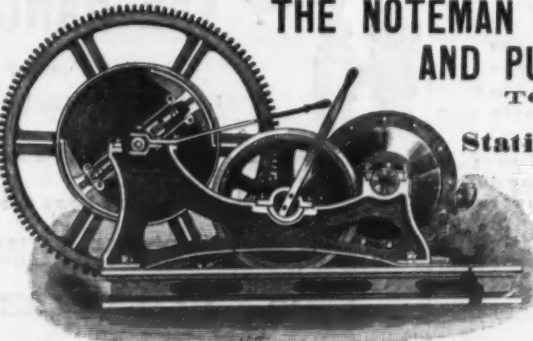
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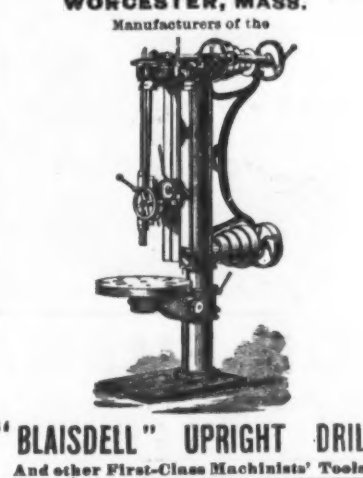


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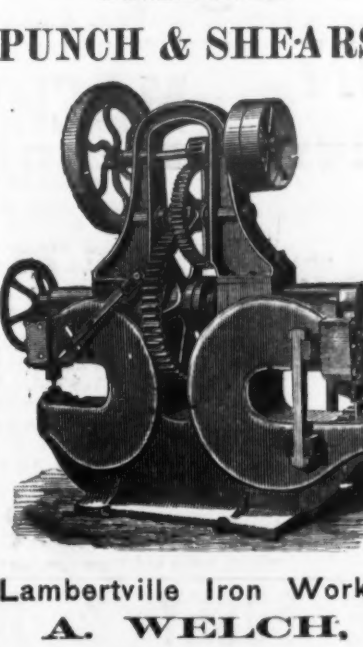


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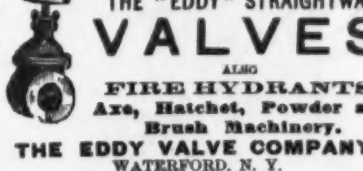
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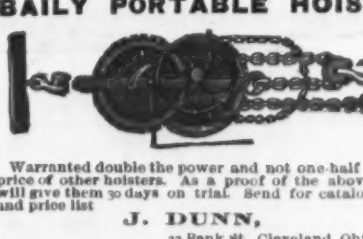
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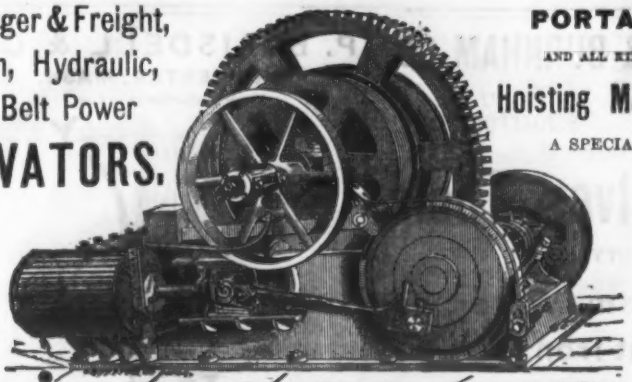
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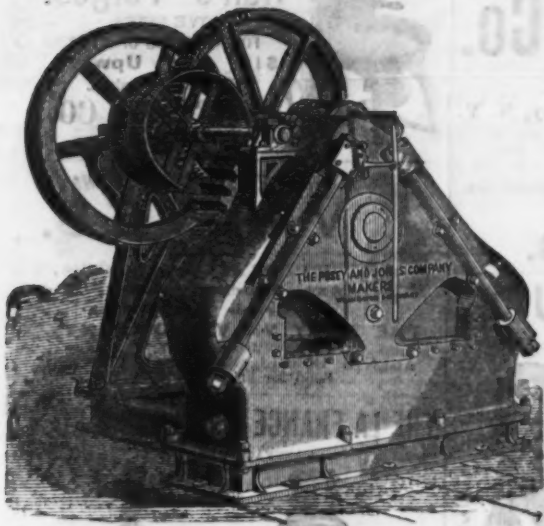
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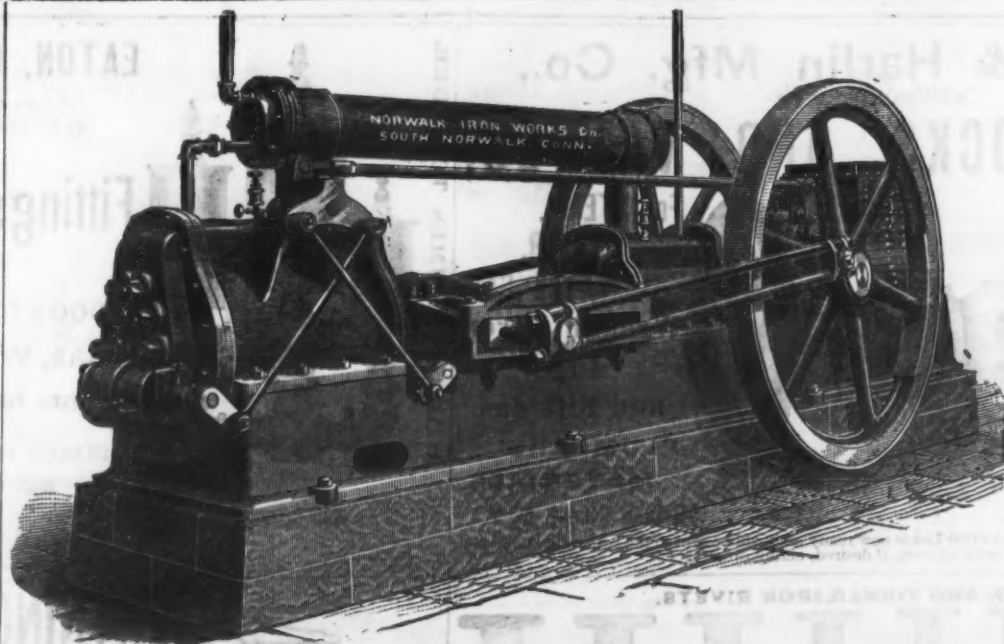
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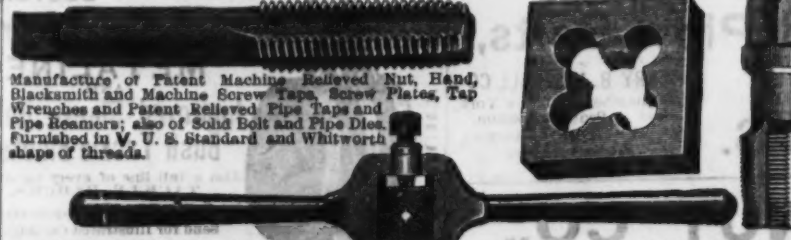


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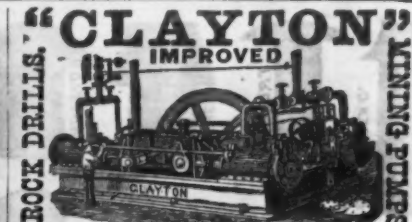
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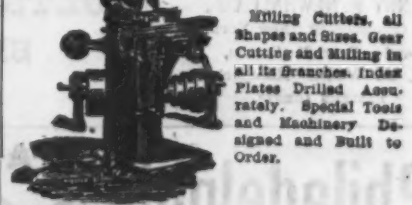
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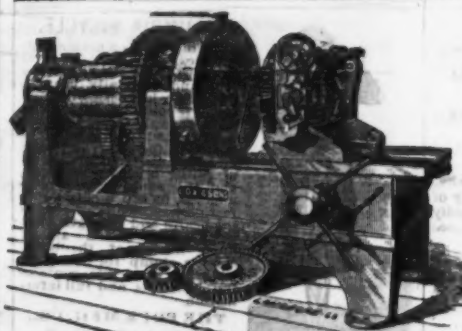
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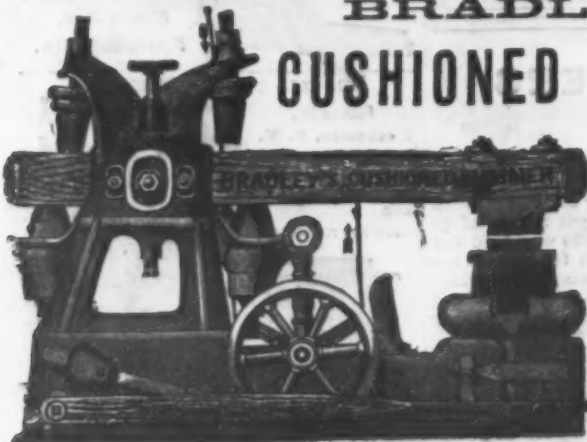
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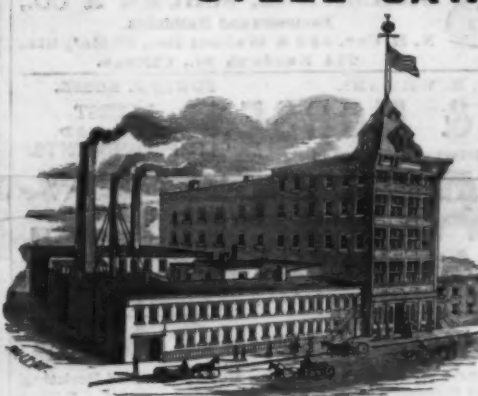
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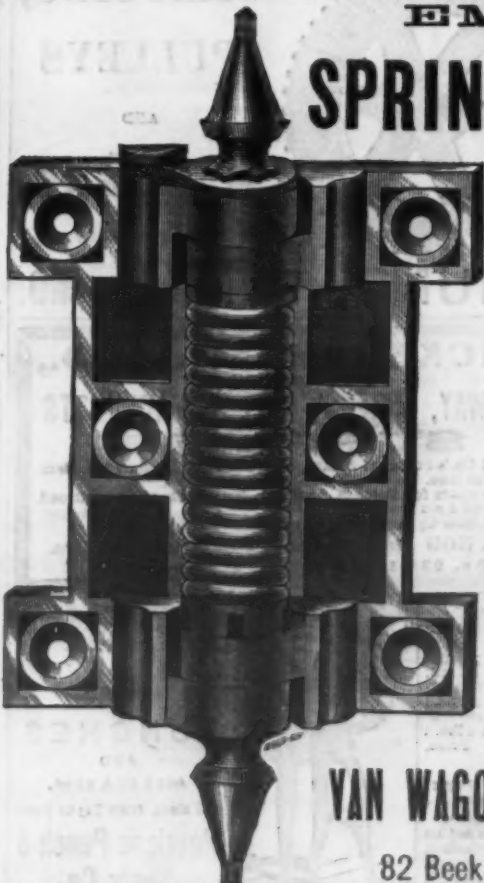
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